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Marco Rota draws some of the most distinctive Ducks in the business and has a style that I find quite appealing. Famed Tarzan newspaper strip artist Burne Hogarth once said of fellow illustrator Hal *(Prince Valiant)* Foster that Foster had the restraint to know what not to draw when composing his strips and that his art allowed the viewer to complete the picture. Hogarth continued that he himself did not have that restraint and felt compelled to "draw everything."

In the world of Donald Duck, if you want to think of Don Rosa as our Burne Hogarth, then you must consider Marco Rota to be Hal Foster. Rota truly has mastered the art of "less is better" and knows how to "not draw everything." All this by way of pointing out to you that our feature story this month is a very nice piece coauthored and illustrated by Rota, and with an accompanying cover. Add to that Dwight Decker's usual snappy dialogue and we have a tale I think you'll really enjoy.

Chapters five and six of Hedman/McGreals/Ferioli's Mythos Island series also await you inside, as well as a vintage William Van Horn yarn written by Michael T. Gilbert, a classic Three Little Pigs and a story starring the oft-requested Bucky Bug.

—John Clark

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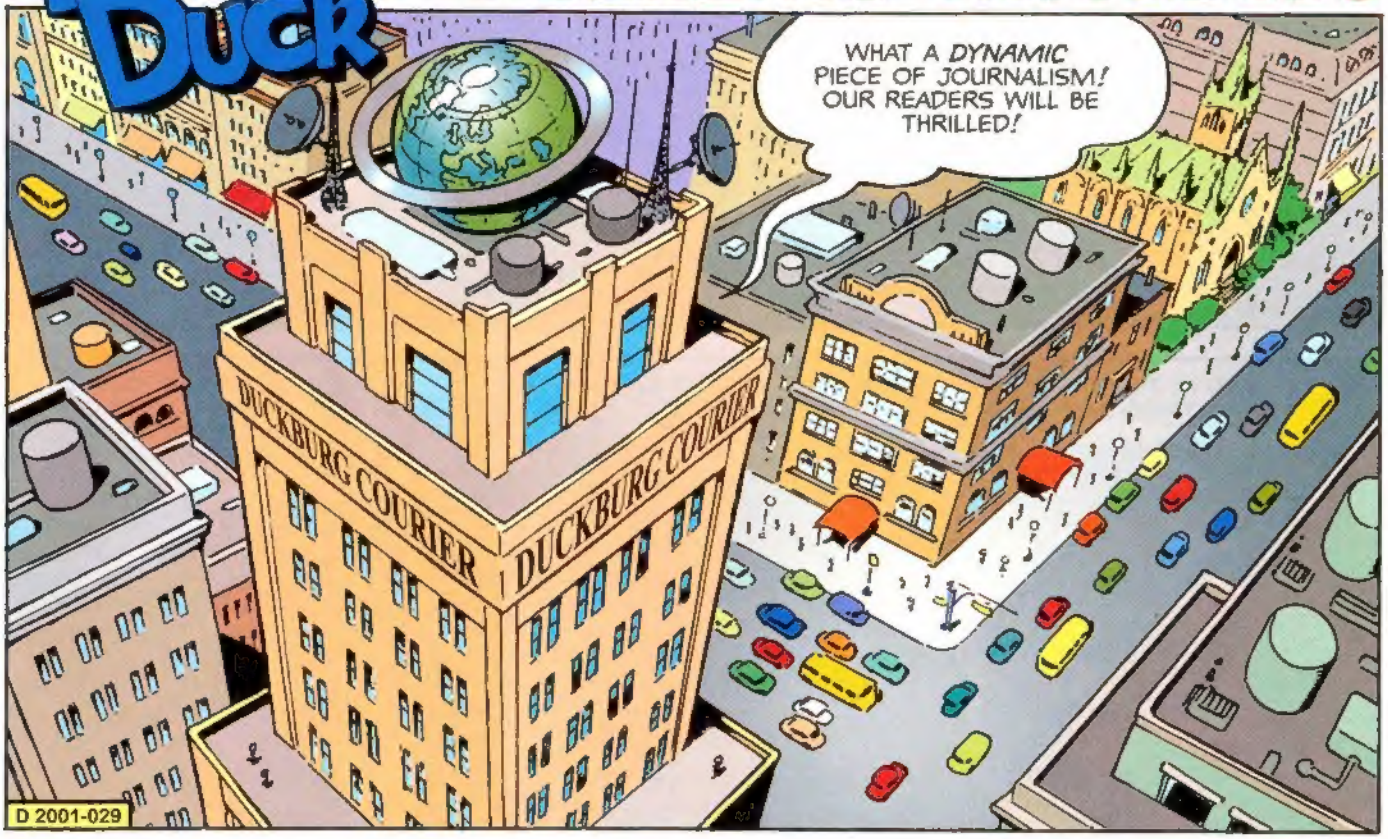
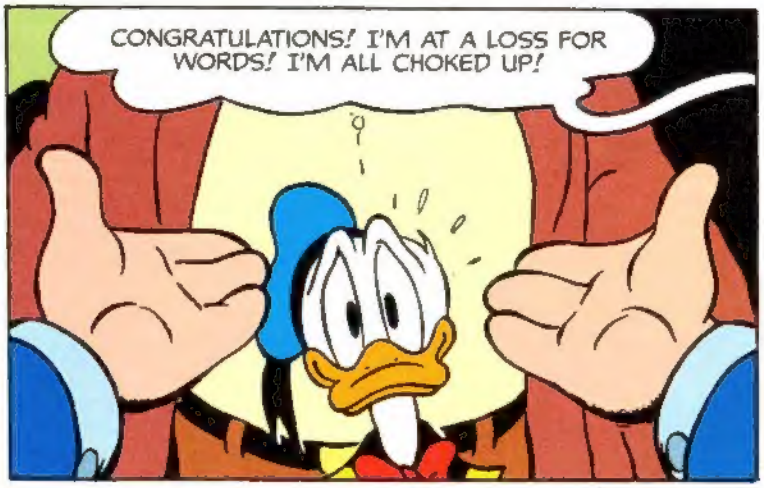
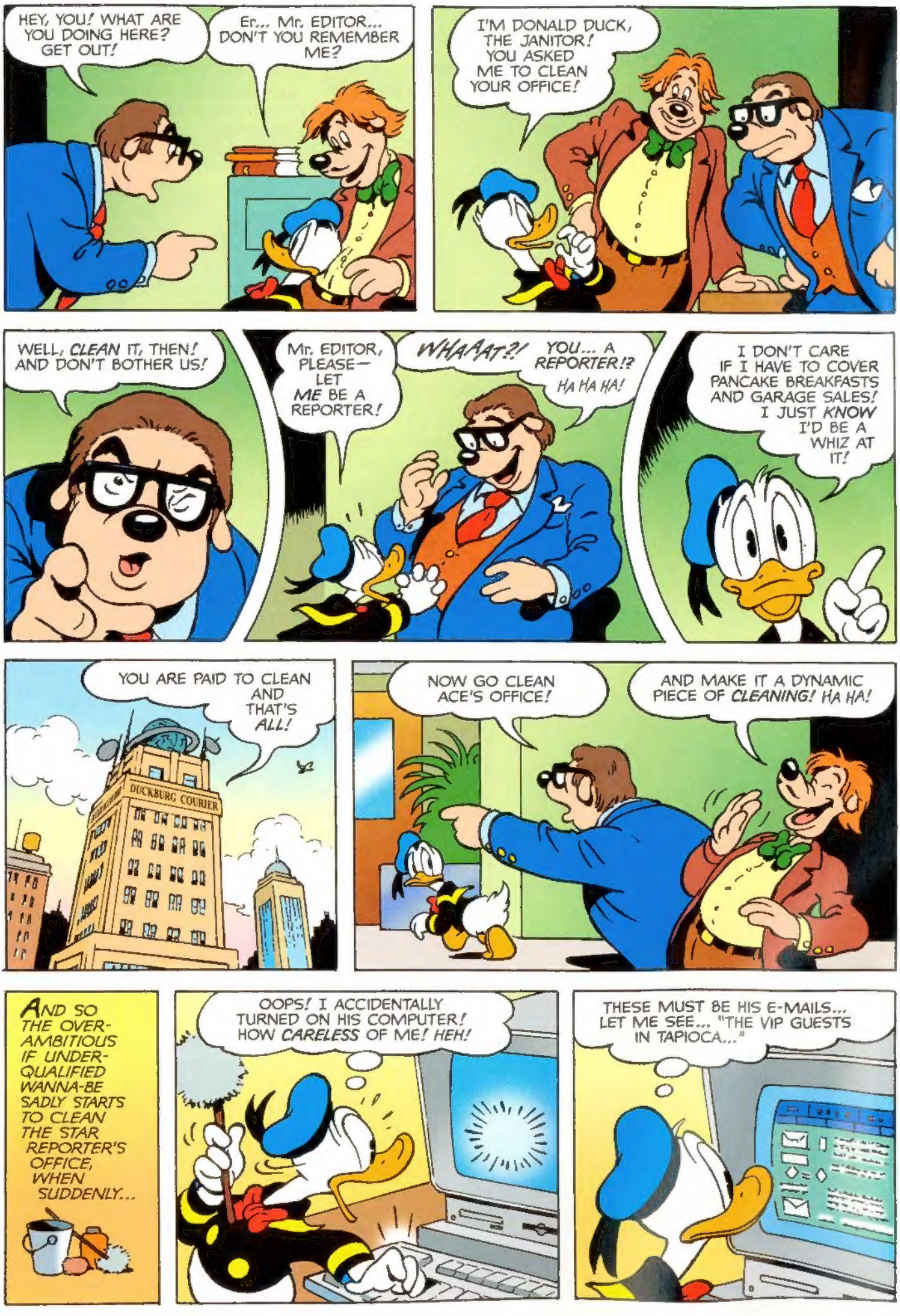
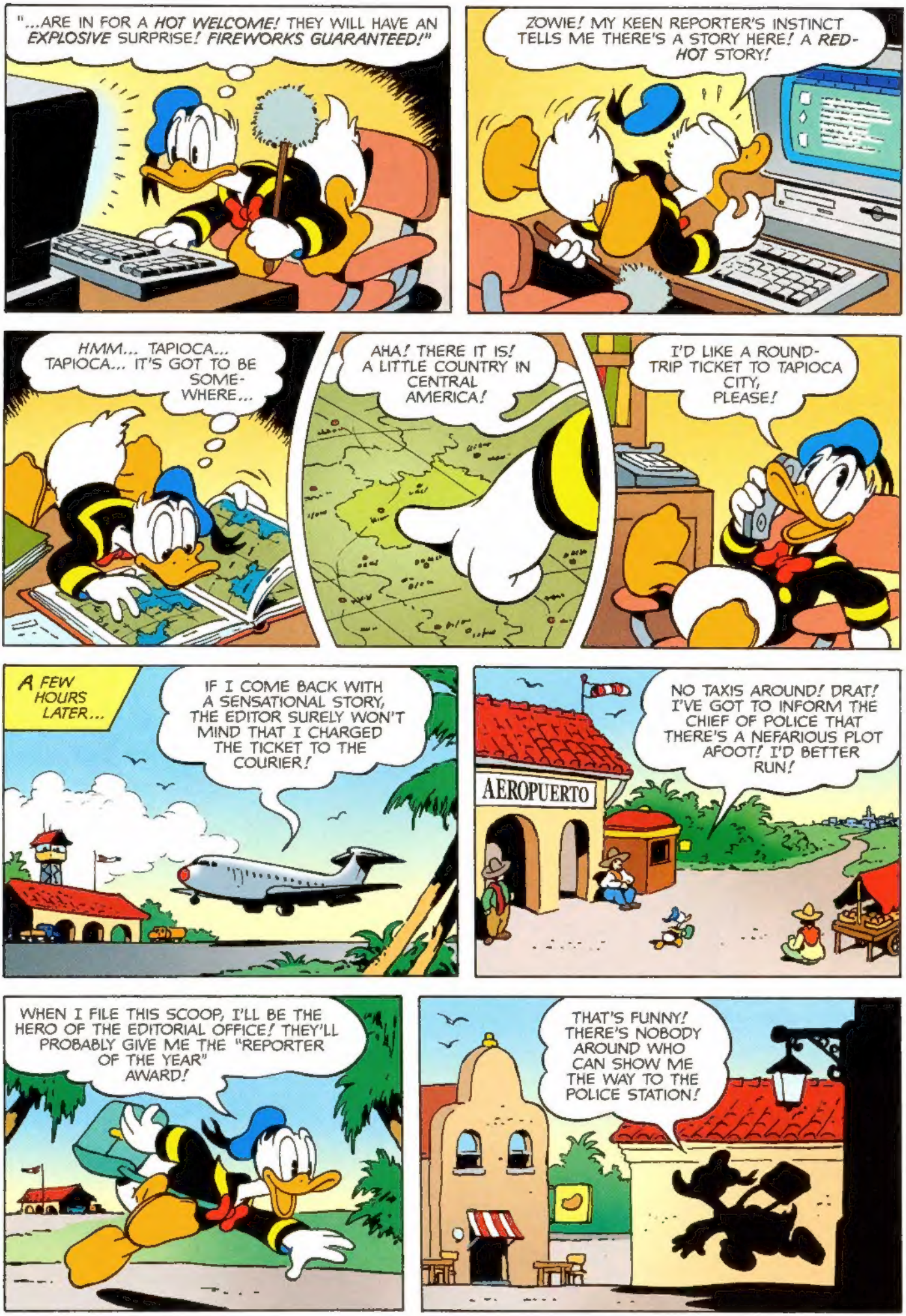
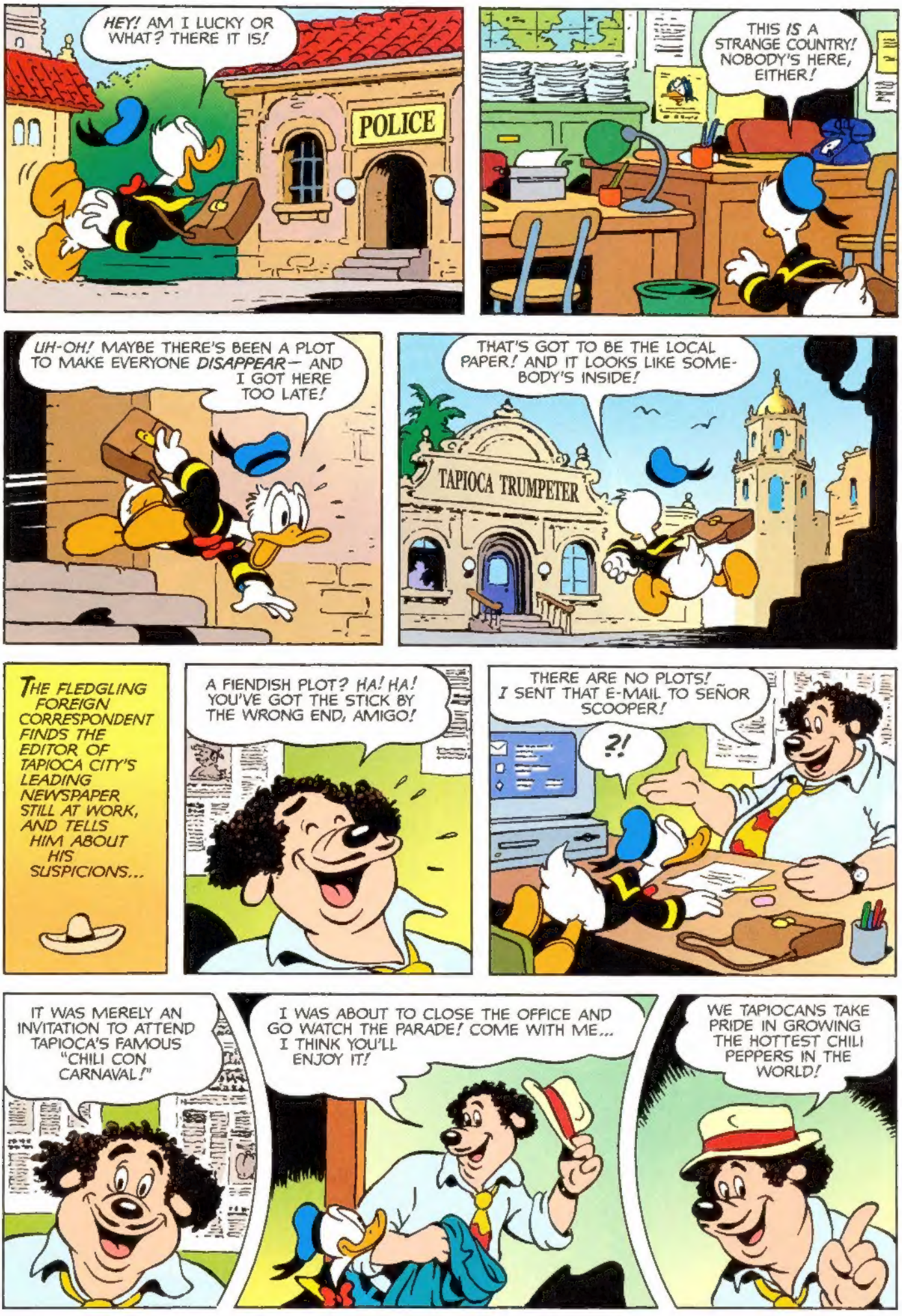


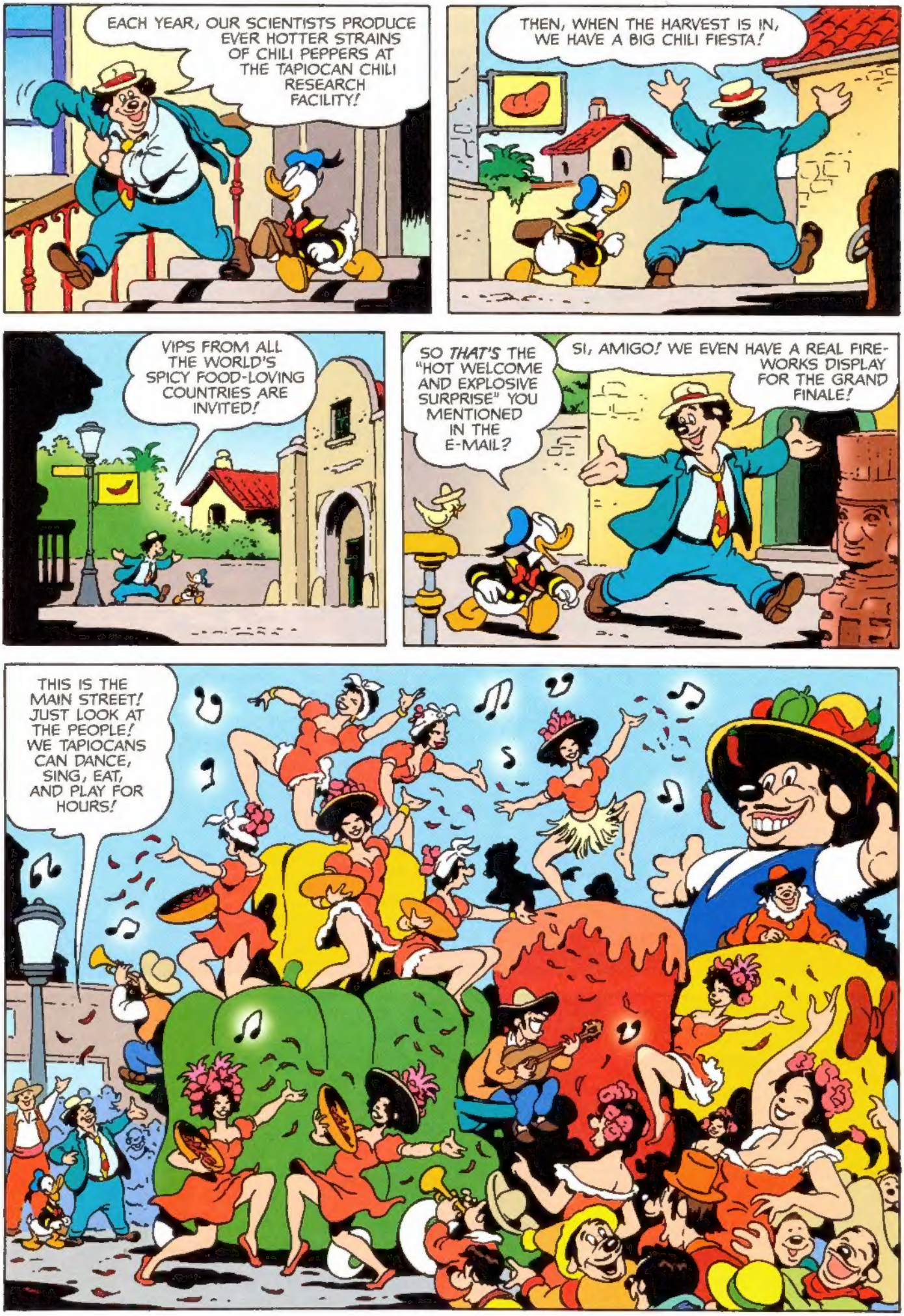


BUT I WAS JUST LUCKY! LIKE TODAY— SOMEBODY CALLED ME WITH A *TIP* ABOUT THE DASTARDLY "NINE-DOLLAR-BILLS" COUNTER-FEITING GANG!
YOU'RE TOO MODEST, ACE!


HEY, YOU! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? GET OUT!
Er... Mr. EDITOR... DON'T YOU REMEMBER ME?
I'M DONALD DUCK, THE JANITOR! YOU ASKED ME TO CLEAN YOUR OFFICE!
WELL, CLEAN IT, THEN! AND DON'T BOTHER US!
Mr. EDITOR, PLEASE— LET ME BE A REPORTER!
WHAAAT?!
YOU... A REPORTER!?
HA HA HA!
I DON'T CARE IF I HAVE TO COVER PANCAKE BREAKFASTS AND GARAGE SALES! I JUST KNOW I'D BE A WHIZ AT IT!
YOU ARE PAID TO CLEAN AND THAT'S ALL!
DUCKBURG COURIER
NOW GO CLEAN ACE'S OFFICE!
AND MAKE IT A DYNAMIC PIECE OF CLEANING! HA HA!
AND SO THE OVER-AMBITIOUS IF UNDER-QUALIFIED WANNA-BE SADLY STARTS TO CLEAN THE STAR REPORTER'S OFFICE, WHEN SUDDENLY...
OOPS! I ACCIDENTALLY TURNED ON HIS COMPUTER! HOW CARELESS OF ME! HEH!
THESE MUST BE HIS E-MAILS... LET ME SEE... "THE VIP GUESTS IN TAPIOCA..."

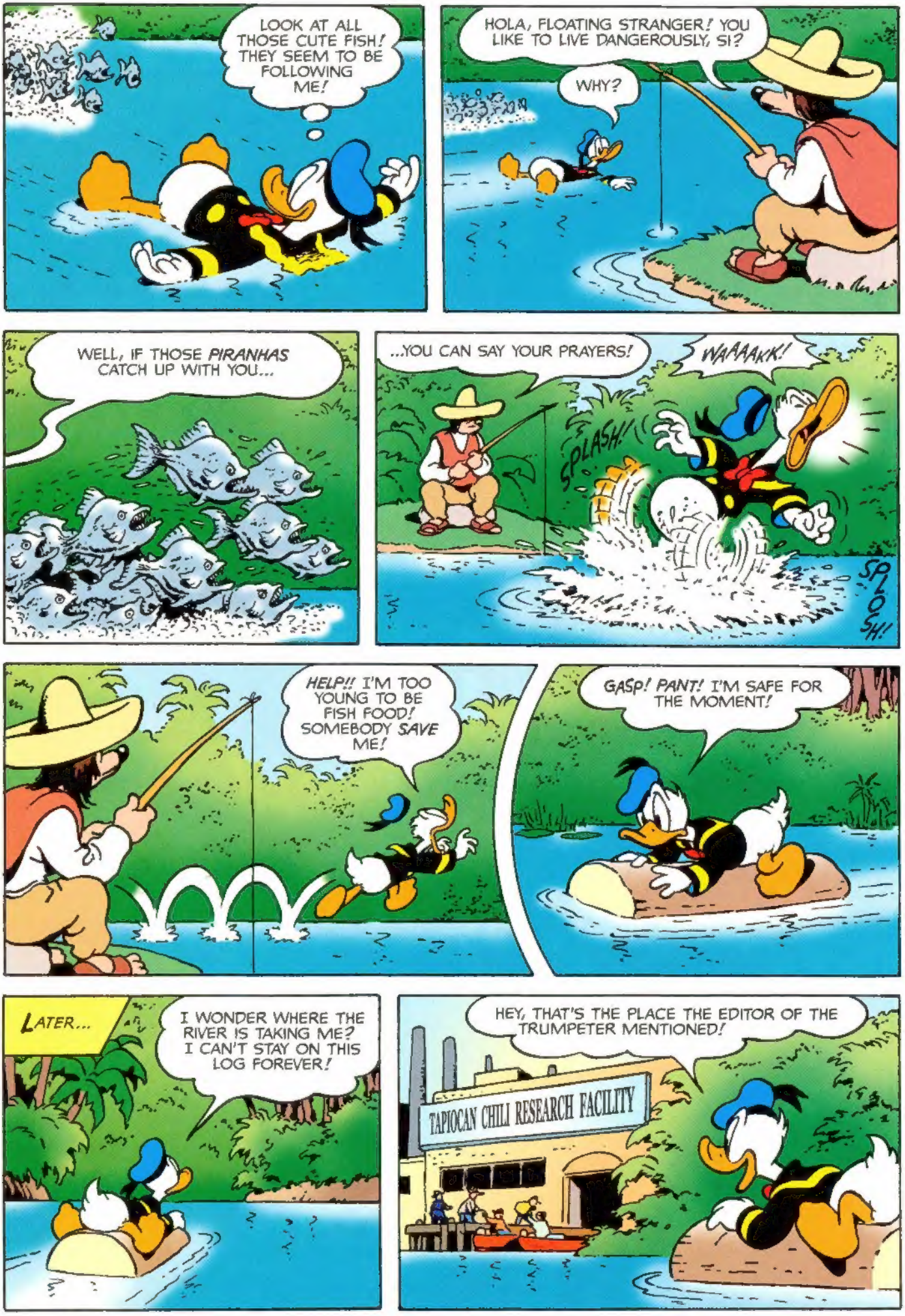

"...ARE IN FOR A HOT WELCOME! THEY WILL HAVE AN EXPLOSIVE SURPRISE! FIREWORKS GUARANTEED!"
ZOWIE! MY KEEN REPORTER'S INSTINCT TELLS ME THERE'S A STORY HERE! A RED-HOT STORY!
HMM... TAPIOCA... TAPIOCA... IT'S GOT TO BE SOME-WHERE...
AHA! THERE IT IS! A LITTLE COUNTRY IN CENTRAL AMERICA!
I'D LIKE A ROUND-TRIP TICKET TO TAPIOCA CITY, PLEASE!
A FEW HOURS LATER...
IF I COME BACK WITH A SENSATIONAL STORY, THE EDITOR SURELY WON'T MIND THAT I CHARGED THE TICKET TO THE COURIER!
AEROPUERTO
NO TAXIS AROUND! DRAT! I'VE GOT TO INFORM THE CHIEF OF POLICE THAT THERE'S A NEFARIOUS PLOT AFOOT! I'D BETTER RUN!
WHEN I FILE THIS SCOOP, I'LL BE THE HERO OF THE EDITORIAL OFFICE! THEY'LL PROBABLY GIVE ME THE "REPORTER OF THE YEAR" AWARD!
THAT'S FUNNY! THERE'S NOBODY AROUND WHO CAN SHOW ME THE WAY TO THE POLICE STATION!

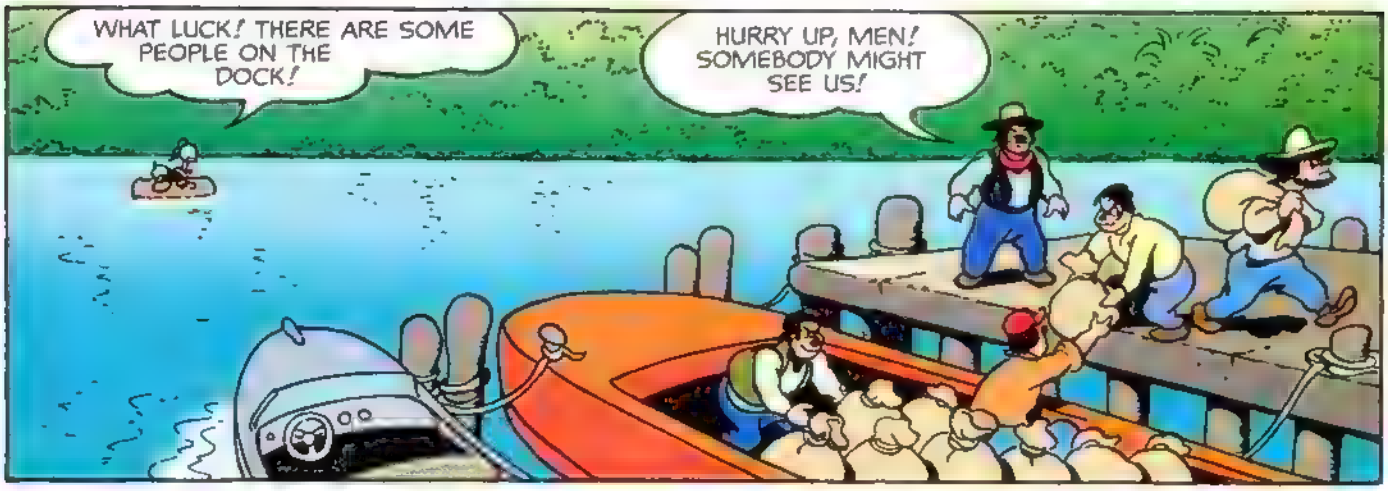

HEY! AM I LUCKY OR WHAT? THERE IT IS!
POLICE
THIS IS A STRANGE COUNTRY! NOBODY'S HERE, EITHER!
UH-OH! MAYBE THERE'S BEEN A PLOT TO MAKE EVERYONE DISAPPEAR— AND I GOT HERE TOO LATE!
THAT'S GOT TO BE THE LOCAL PAPER! AND IT LOOKS LIKE SOMEBODY'S INSIDE!
TAPIOCA TRUMPETER
THE FLEDGLING FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT FINDS THE EDITOR OF TAPIOCA CITY'S LEADING NEWSPAPER STILL AT WORK, AND TELLS HIM ABOUT HIS SUSPICIONS...
A FIENDISH PLOT? HA! HA! YOU'VE GOT THE STICK BY THE WRONG END, AMIGO!
THERE ARE NO PLOTS! I SENT THAT E-MAIL TO SEÑOR SCOOPER!
?!
IT WAS MERELY AN INVITATION TO ATTEND TAPIOCA'S FAMOUS "CHILI CON CARNAVAL!"
I WAS ABOUT TO CLOSE THE OFFICE AND GO WATCH THE PARADE! COME WITH ME... I THINK YOU'LL ENJOY IT!
WE TAPIOCANS TAKE PRIDE IN GROWING THE HOTTEST CHILI PEPPERS IN THE WORLD!

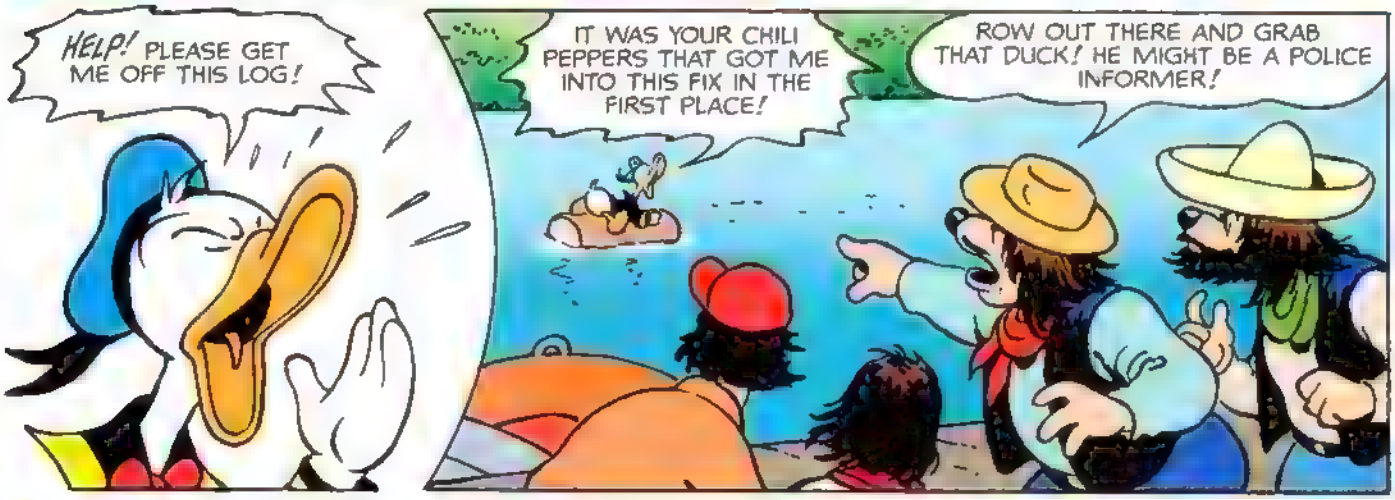

EACH YEAR, OUR SCIENTISTS PRODUCE EVER HOTTER STRAINS OF CHILI PEPPERS AT THE TAPIOCAN CHILI RESEARCH FACILITY!
THEN, WHEN THE HARVEST IS IN, WE HAVE A BIG CHILI FIESTA!
VIPS FROM ALL THE WORLD'S SPICY FOOD-LOVING COUNTRIES ARE INVITED!
SO *THAT'S* THE "HOT WELCOME AND EXPLOSIVE SURPRISE" YOU MENTIONED IN THE E-MAIL?
SI, AMIGO! WE EVEN HAVE A REAL FIRE-WORKS DISPLAY FOR THE GRAND FINALE!
THIS IS THE MAIN STREET! JUST LOOK AT THE PEOPLE! WE TAPIOCANS CAN DANCE, SING, EAT, AND PLAY FOR HOURS!

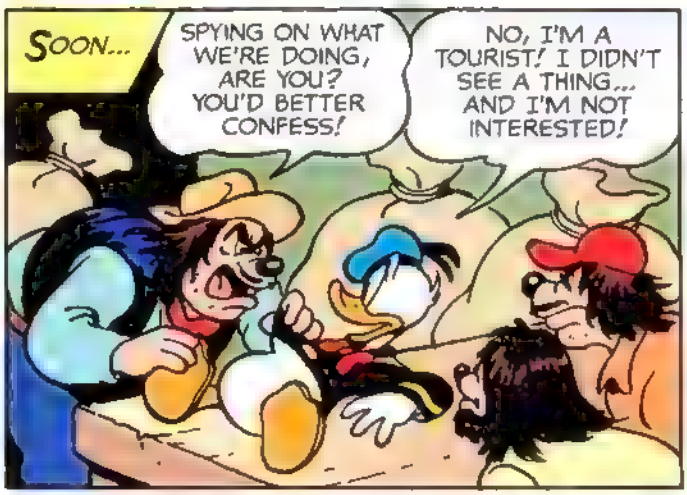
I LOVE CARNIVALS! OH, THESE LATIN AMERICAN RHYTHMS! I CAN FEEL A MAJOR MAMBO COMING ON!
HOW ABOUT A RHUMBA, PRETTY SEÑORITA?
HAVE YOU NOTICED OUR DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, AMIGO? THEY COME FROM INDIA, GHANA...
...SPAIN, CHINA, AND OF COURSE HUNGARY!
AS YOU CAN SEE, THE HOSPITABLE PEOPLE OF TAPIOCA OFFER OUR NATIONAL DISH, "TAMALES CON CHILI"!
PLEASE, SEÑOR FOREIGNER, TRY A DELICIOUS TAMALE!
GEE, THANKS, SEÑORITA!
I MUST WARN YOU, THIS IS VERY HOT STUFF!
NO PROBLEM! MY NEPHEWS ALWAYS COMPLAIN THAT MY CHILI CON CARNE IS TOO HOT TO HANDLE!

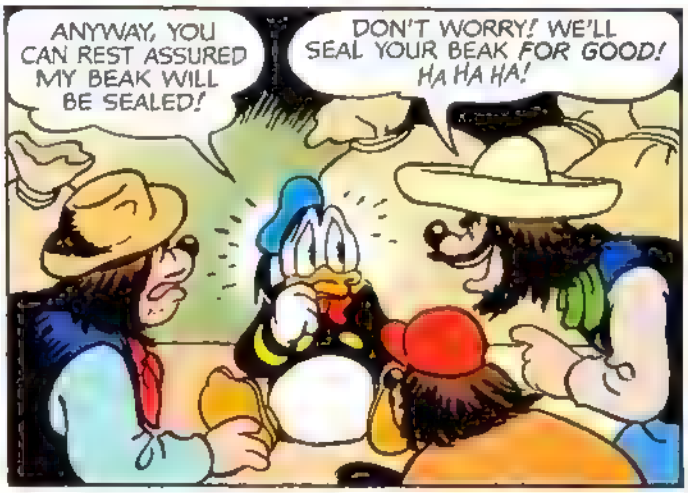
MMMMM... GOOD! IT'S REALLY SPI...
GLOMP! GASP!
ACKK! I'M BURNING UP! QUICK— GET ME SOME WATER!
I TOLD YOU! HERE, PUT OUT THE FIRE WITH THIS!
GLUG-GLUG-GLUG!
GASP! IT'S NOT ENOUGH! I NEED MORE...
...WATER!
PERFECT! A WHOLE RIVER OF IT!
SPLASH!
AHH! THAT'S BETTER! I'LL STAY IN HERE UNTIL THE EFFECT OF THE CHILI WEARS OFF!

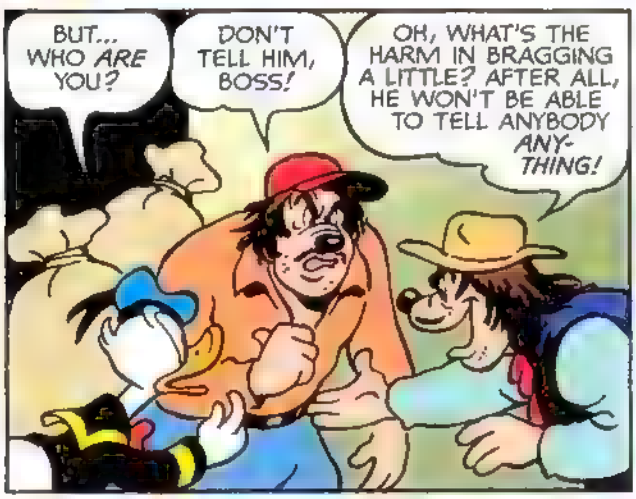

LOOK AT ALL THOSE CUTE FISH! THEY SEEM TO BE FOLLOWING ME!
HOLA, FLOATING STRANGER! YOU LIKE TO LIVE DANGEROUSLY, SI?
WHY?
WELL, IF THOSE PIRANHAS CATCH UP WITH YOU...
...YOU CAN SAY YOUR PRAYERS!
WAAAAKK!
SPLASH!
SPLOSH!
HELP!! I'M TOO YOUNG TO BE FISH FOOD! SOMEBODY SAVE ME!
GASP! PANT! I'M SAFE FOR THE MOMENT!
LATER...
I WONDER WHERE THE RIVER IS TAKING ME? I CAN'T STAY ON THIS LOG FOREVER!
HEY, THAT'S THE PLACE THE EDITOR OF THE TRUMPETER MENTIONED!
TAPIOCAN CHILI RESEARCH FACILITY

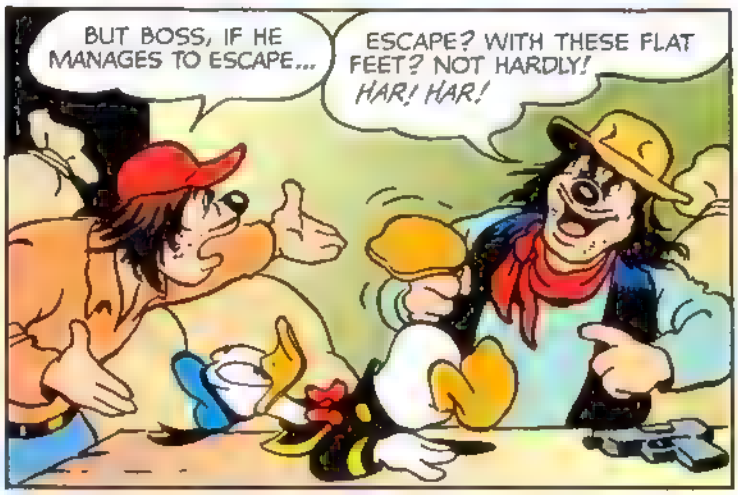

WHAT LUCK! THERE ARE SOME PEOPLE ON THE DOCK!
HURRY UP, MEN! SOMEBODY MIGHT SEE US!

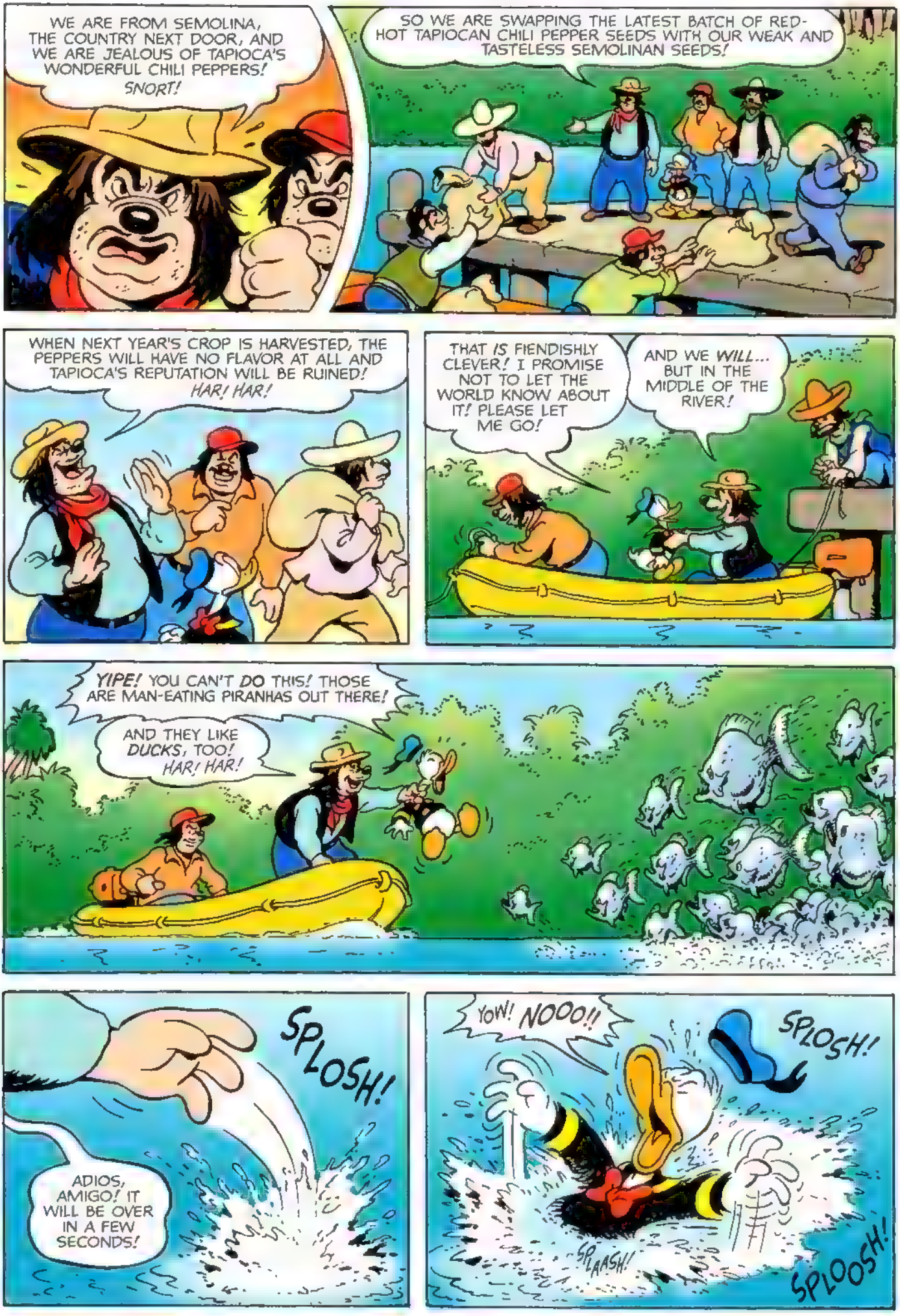

HELP! PLEASE GET ME OFF THIS LOG!
IT WAS YOUR CHILI PEPPERS THAT GOT ME INTO THIS FIX IN THE FIRST PLACE!
ROW OUT THERE AND GRAB THAT DUCK! HE MIGHT BE A POLICE INFORMER!

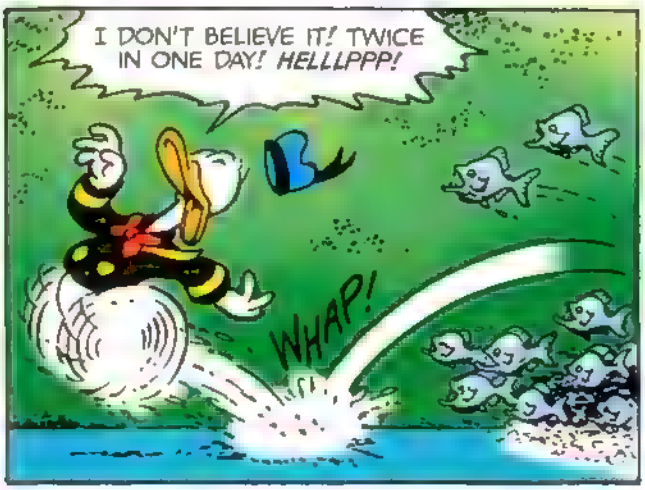

SOON...
SPYING ON WHAT WE'RE DOING, ARE YOU? YOU'D BETTER CONFESS!
NO, I'M A TOURIST! I DIDN'T SEE A THING... AND I'M NOT INTERESTED!

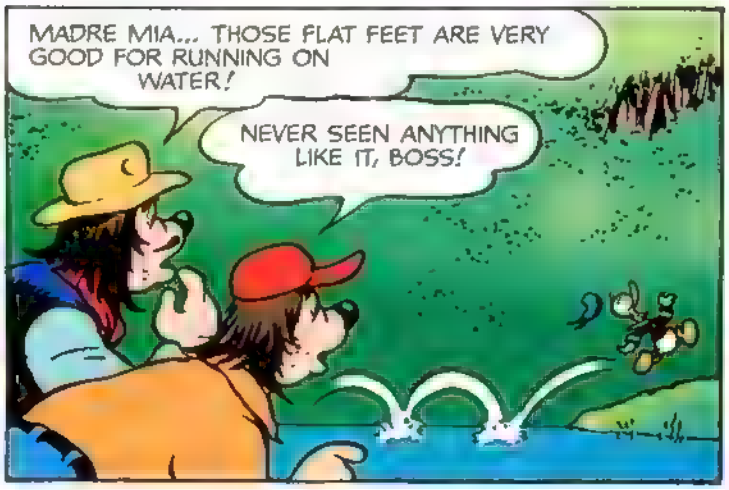

ANYWAY, YOU CAN REST ASSURED MY BEAK WILL BE SEALED!
DON'T WORRY! WE'LL SEAL YOUR BEAK FOR GOOD! HA HA HA!


BUT... WHO ARE YOU?
DON'T TELL HIM, BOSS!
OH, WHAT'S THE HARM IN BRAGGING A LITTLE? AFTER ALL, HE WON'T BE ABLE TO TELL ANYBODY ANY-THING!

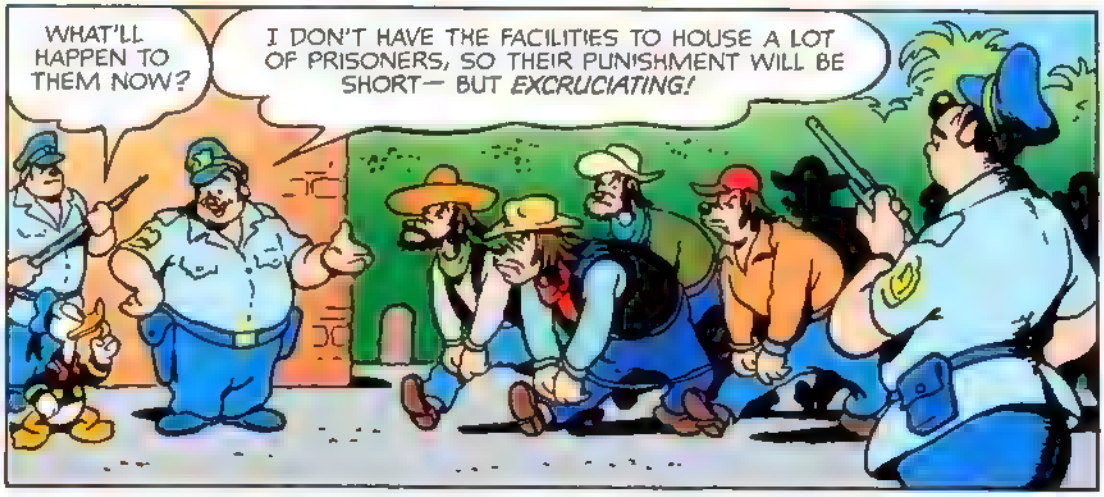

BUT BOSS, IF HE MANAGES TO ESCAPE...
ESCAPE? WITH THESE FLAT FEET? NOT HARDLY! HAR! HAR!

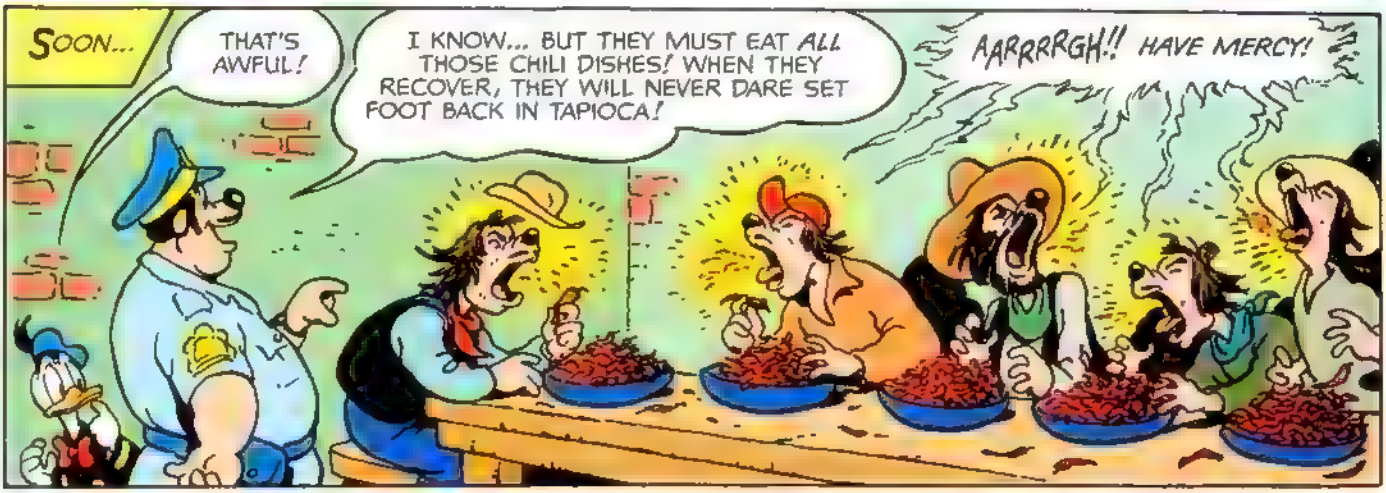

WE ARE FROM SEMOLINA, THE COUNTRY NEXT DOOR, AND WE ARE JEALOUS OF TAPIOCA'S WONDERFUL CHILI PEPPERS! SNORT!
SO WE ARE SWAPPING THE LATEST BATCH OF RED-HOT TAPIOCAN CHILI PEPPER SEEDS WITH OUR WEAK AND TASTELESS SEMOLINAN SEEDS!
WHEN NEXT YEAR'S CROP IS HARVESTED, THE PEPPERS WILL HAVE NO FLAVOR AT ALL AND TAPIOCA'S REPUTATION WILL BE RUINED! HAR! HAR!
THAT IS FIENDISHLY CLEVER! I PROMISE NOT TO LET THE WORLD KNOW ABOUT IT! PLEASE LET ME GO!
AND WE WILL... BUT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE RIVER!
YIPE! YOU CAN'T DO THIS! THOSE ARE MAN-EATING PIRANHAS OUT THERE!
AND THEY LIKE DUCKS, TOO! HAR! HAR!
SPLOSH!
ADIOS, AMIGO! IT WILL BE OVER IN A FEW SECONDS!
YOW! NOOO!!
SPLOSH!
SPLAASH!
SPLOOSH!

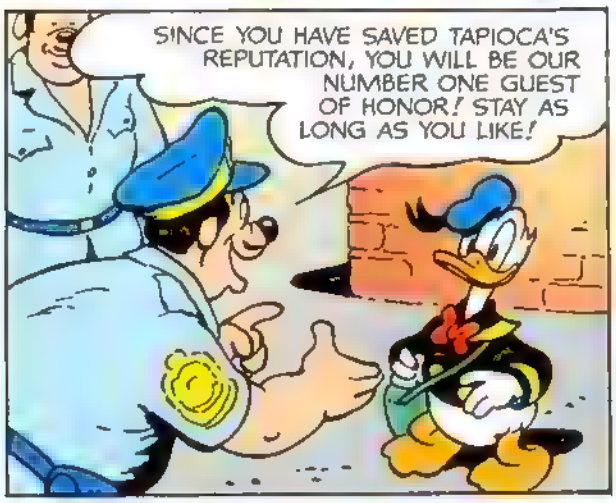


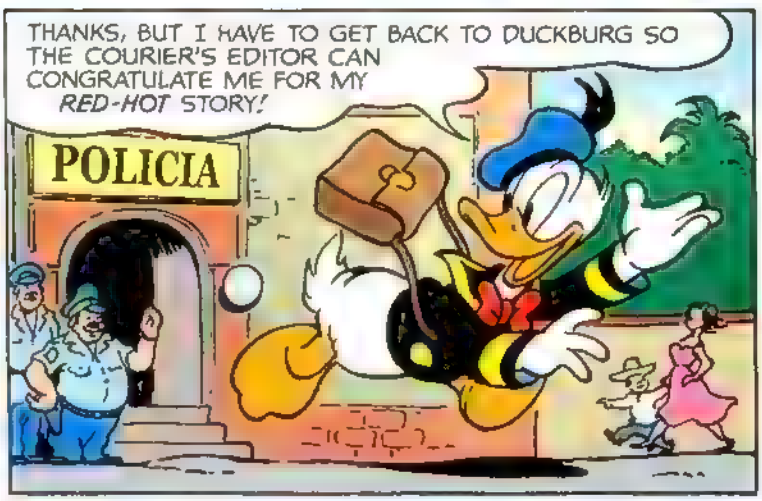


DONALD RUNS ALL THE WAY TO TAPIOCA CITY, WHERE THE LOCAL POLICE CHIEF QUICKLY TAKES ACTION, AND BEFORE LONG...


WHAT'LL HAPPEN TO THEM NOW?
I DON'T HAVE THE FACILITIES TO HOUSE A LOT OF PRISONERS, SO THEIR PUNISHMENT WILL BE SHORT— BUT EXCRUCIATING!


SOON...
THAT'S AWFUL!
I KNOW... BUT THEY MUST EAT ALL THOSE CHILI DISHES! WHEN THEY RECOVER, THEY WILL NEVER DARE SET FOOT BACK IN TAPIOCA!
AARRRRGH!! HAVE MERCY!





BACK IN DUCKBURG...
CLAP! CLAP!
...AND AS EDITOR OF THE DUCKBURG COURIER, I'M VERY PROUD TO PRESENT OUR NEW REPORTER, DONALD DUCK!
WELCOME TO OUR RANKS!
BRAVO!
HOORAY!
CLAP! CLAP!
Mr. SCOOPER... ER, ACE? NO HARD FEELINGS ABOUT MY STORY, I HOPE?
NOT AT ALL! WE'RE FELLOW PROFESSIONALS IN THIS GAME, YOU KNOW!
BUT LISTEN, DONALD! IT SO HAPPENS I JUST GOT A TIP ABOUT ANOTHER SENSATIONAL STORY! IT'S PERFECT FOR YOU!
NO THANKS! I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THE TROPICS AND SPICY FOOD!
OH, YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT...
TWO DAYS LATER...
TENTH ANNUAL ARCTIC WHALE BLUBBER FESTIVAL
HERE! HAVE SOME MORE!
IT IS A GREAT HONOR FOR US TO HAVE SUCH AN ESTEEMED GUEST FROM DUCKBURG!
ANYBODY GOT ANY CHILI SAUCE? SIGH!

Walt Disney's MICKEY MOUSE AND DONALD DUCK in

MYTHOS ISLAND: CHAPTER 5

A DRAG OF A DRAGON

DONALD AND SCROOGE ARE ON AN EXPEDITION TO FIND HUEY, LOUIE AND DEWEY WHO HAVEN'T RETURNED HOME FOR SOME DAYS! THEY BELIEVE THE YOUNG PEGASUS HAS CARRIED THE BOYS BACK TO MYTHOS ISLAND WHERE MYTHOLOGICAL CREATURES DWELL...

OKAY, DONALD, THE ISLAND'S DEAD AHEAD! BUT WE'RE LOSING ALTITUDE IN THIS STORM! WE'VE GOT TO GET *RID* OF SOME BALLAST!

SURE, UNCLE SCROOGE! =SIGH!= I GUESS THAT MEANS I'VE GOTTA CHUCK MY CASE OF *FIZZY POP* OVERBOARD!

BAA-BAA-BOOOOOM!!

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OMIGOSH! THE FUR-SHLUGINER CASE SNAPPED A STRUT!

DON'T JUST SIT GAWKING, NEPHEW! CLIMB OUT THERE AND HOLD THE WING TOGETHER!

KA-RUNCH!

HURRY, DONALD! BEFORE THIS TUB FOLDS UP LIKE A BAD HAND OF CARDS!

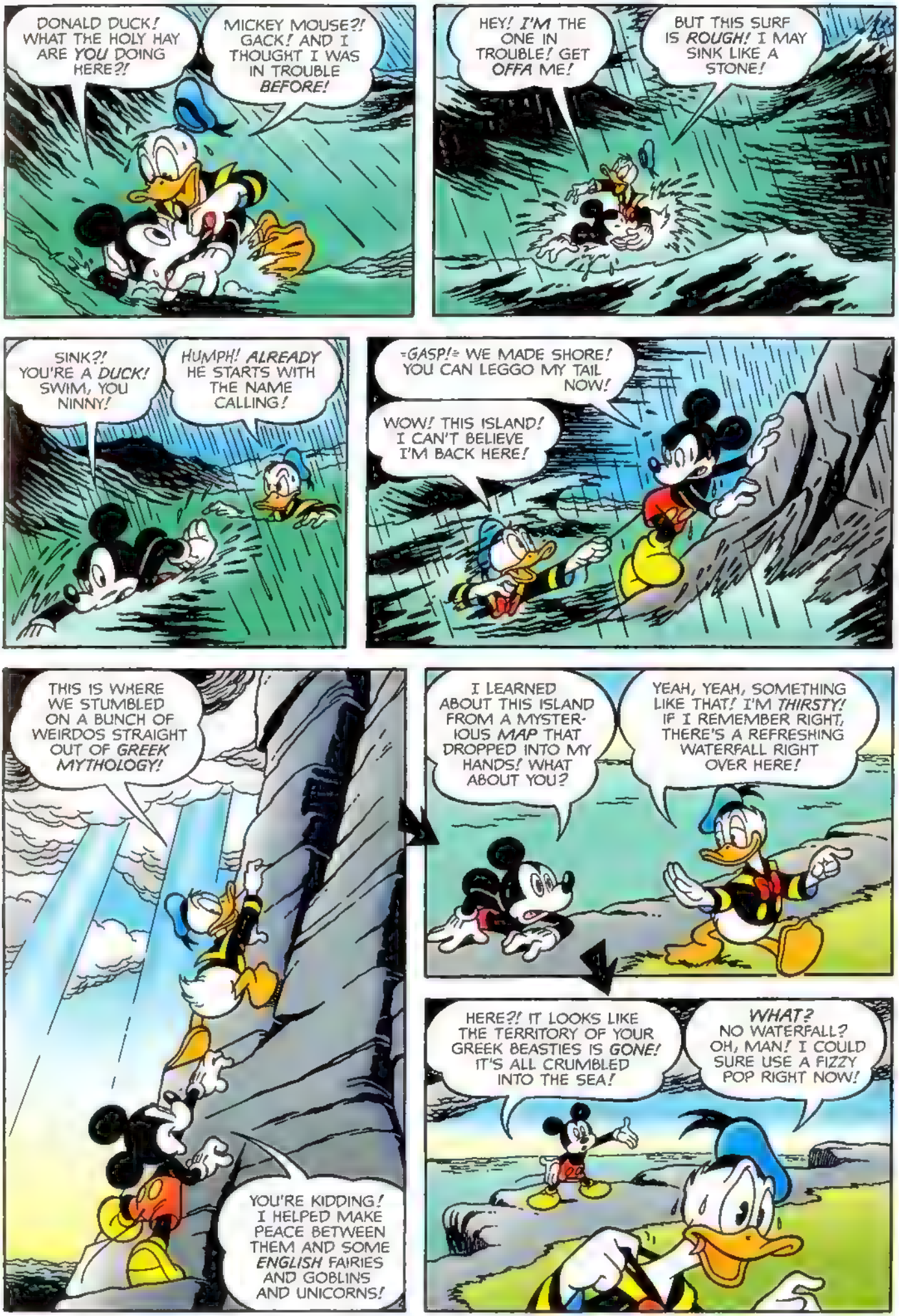
OKAY! OKAY! BUT THE DOWNPOUR IS MAKING THE WING AWFULLY SLIPPERY!

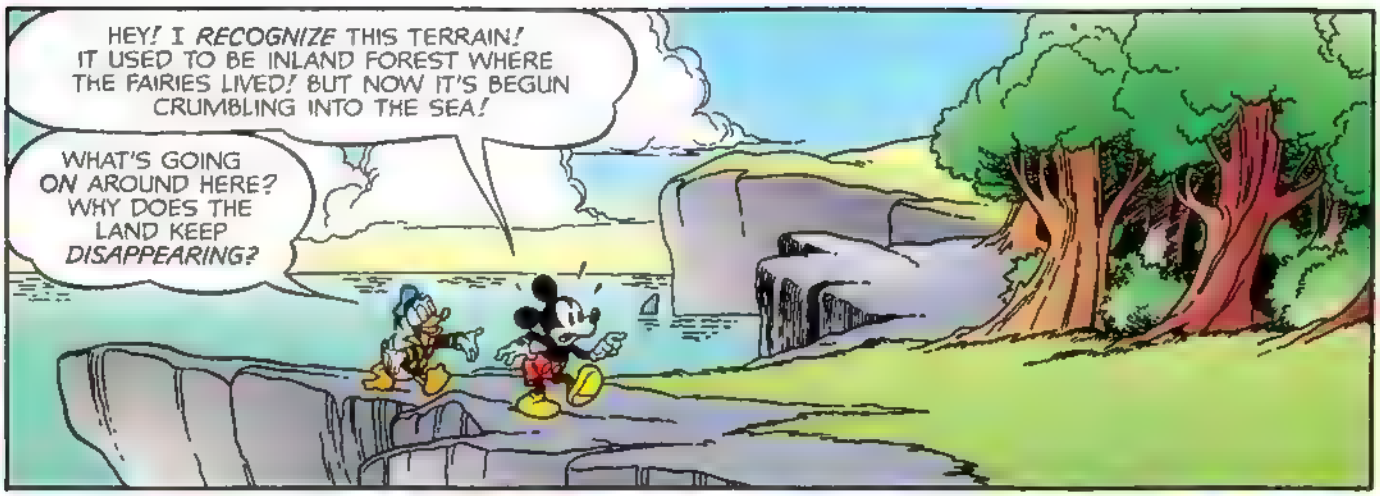
AWP! IT'S NO GOOD! I'M SLIPPING!

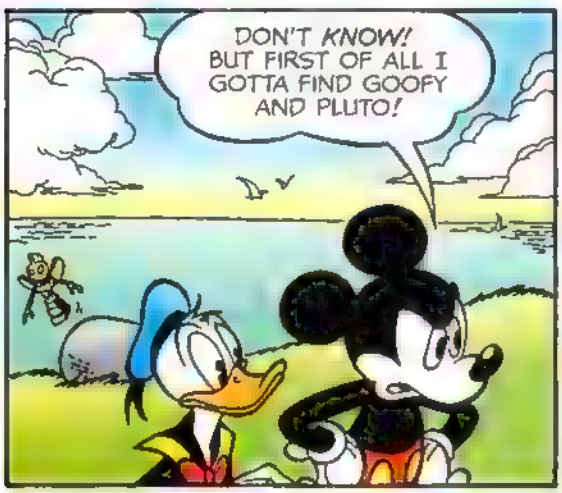
I ASKED YOU TO GET RID OF BALLAST, DONALD! BUT THIS IS GOING TOO FAR!

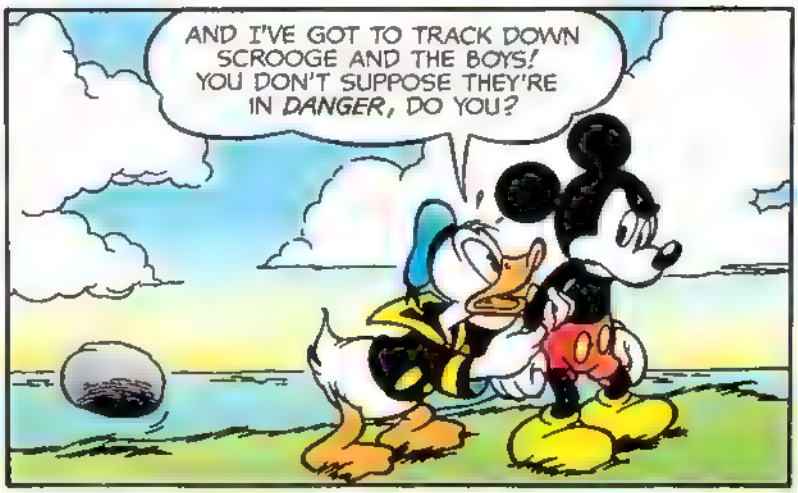
O MOMMA! IT LOOKS LIKE SCROOGE WILL MAKE THE ISLAND OKAY! BUT WHAT'LL HAPPEN TO ME?!

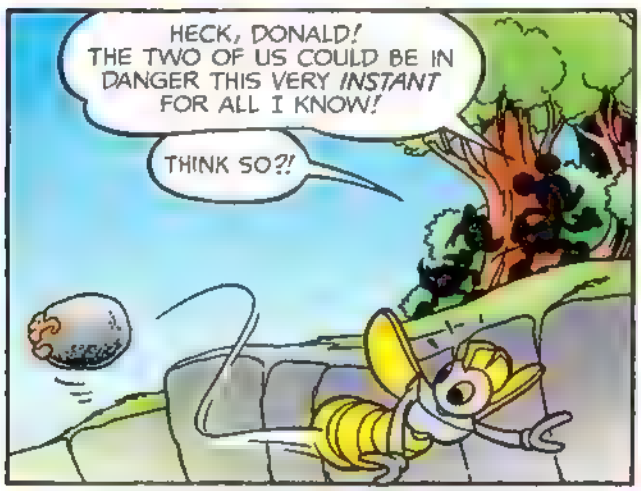
MEANWHILE, ANOTHER EXPEDITION PLOUGHS THROUGH THE STORM IN A SUPER-HIGH-SPEED HYDROFOIL INVENTED BY DOC STATIC...
IF WE FIND THAT ISLAND AND ITS MYTHOLOGICAL MONSTERS, I'LL KNOW I'M NOT CRAZY! BUT IT'S TOUGH GOING IN THIS FREEZING RAIN!
WHYN'T YUH KEEP WARM TH' WAY I DO, MICK?! BY POURIN' PLENTY O' HOT SAUCE ON MUH SAUSAGE SANDWICH!
=SMACK! DROOL!=
HOLY CANNOLI! A HUMONGOUS WAVE OFF THE STARBOARD BOW! STEER INTO IT, GOOFY!!
GAWRSH! I SHOULDA KNOWED TH' DARNED THING'D COME JUST WHEN I HAVE MUH HANDS FULL! I CAN'T GET TO TH' WHEEL IN TIME!
MICKEY!!
YIP! YIP! YIP!
PHAA-LOOOOOSH!
WE CAN'T TURN AROUND IN THIS CHOP! SORRY, MICK!
=SPLUTTER!= THEY'RE HEADED TOWARDS THE ISLAND! =GLUB!= AND I DON'T EVEN HAVE A LIFE JACKET! WHAT COULD BE WORSE?!
YEEP!
WAK!
SPALUUURSH!
CLONK!

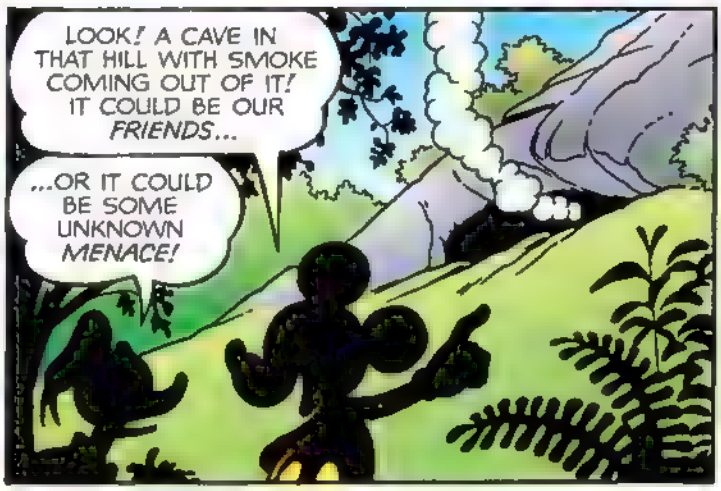

DONALD DUCK! WHAT THE HOLY HAY ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
MICKEY MOUSE?! GACK! AND I THOUGHT I WAS IN TROUBLE BEFORE!
HEY! I'M THE ONE IN TROUBLE! GET OFFA ME!
BUT THIS SURF IS ROUGH! I MAY SINK LIKE A STONE!
SINK?! YOU'RE A DUCK! SWIM, YOU NINNY!
HUMPH! ALREADY HE STARTS WITH THE NAME CALLING!
=GASP!= WE MADE SHORE! YOU CAN LEGGO MY TAIL NOW!
WOW! THIS ISLAND! I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M BACK HERE!
THIS IS WHERE WE STUMBLED ON A BUNCH OF WEIRDOS STRAIGHT OUT OF GREEK MYTHOLOGY!
YOU'RE KIDDING! I HELPED MAKE PEACE BETWEEN THEM AND SOME ENGLISH FAIRIES AND GOBLINS AND UNICORNS!
I LEARNED ABOUT THIS ISLAND FROM A MYSTERIOUS MAP THAT DROPPED INTO MY HANDS! WHAT ABOUT YOU?
YEAH, YEAH, SOMETHING LIKE THAT! I'M THIRSTY! IF I REMEMBER RIGHT, THERE'S A REFRESHING WATERFALL RIGHT OVER HERE!
HERE?! IT LOOKS LIKE THE TERRITORY OF YOUR GREEK BEASTIES IS GONE! IT'S ALL CRUMBLED INTO THE SEA!
WHAT? NO WATERFALL? OH, MAN! I COULD SURE USE A FIZZY POP RIGHT NOW!

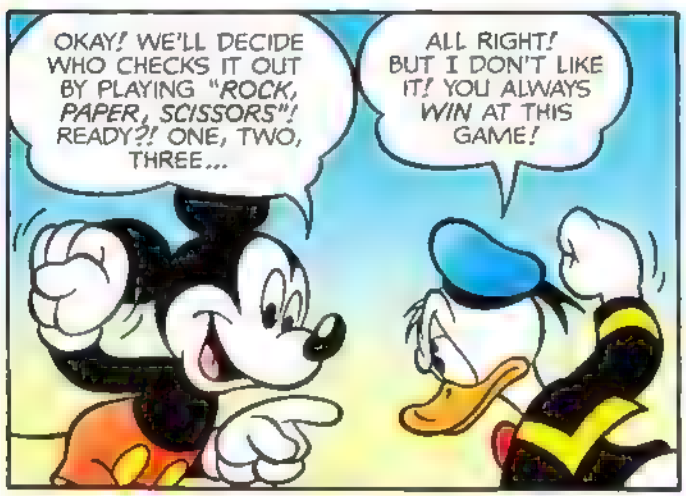

HEY! I *RECOGNIZE* THIS TERRAIN! IT USED TO BE INLAND FOREST WHERE THE FAIRIES LIVED! BUT NOW IT'S BEGUN CRUMBLING INTO THE SEA!
WHAT'S GOING *ON* AROUND HERE? WHY DOES THE LAND KEEP *DISAPPEARING?*

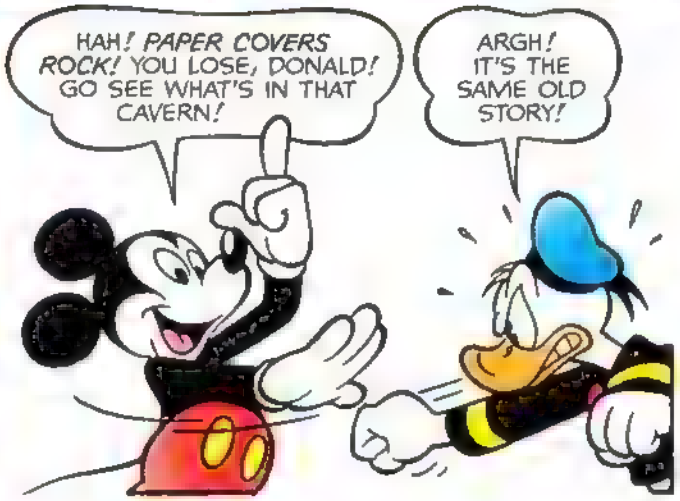

DON'T *KNOW!* BUT FIRST OF ALL I GOTTA FIND GOOFY AND PLUTO!


AND I'VE GOT TO TRACK DOWN SCROOGE AND THE BOYS! YOU DON'T SUPPOSE THEY'RE IN *DANGER*, DO YOU?

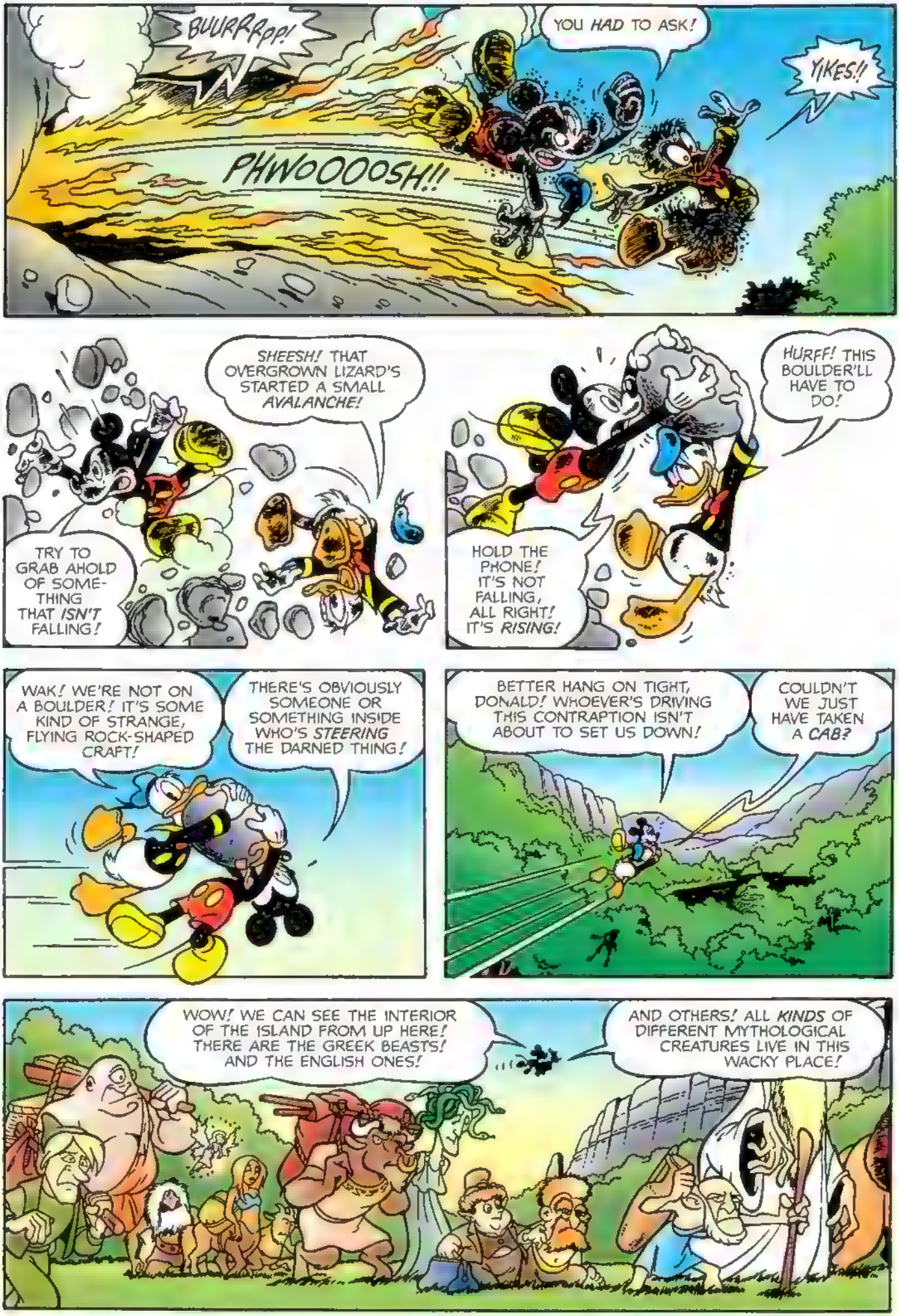

HECK, DONALD! THE TWO OF US COULD BE IN DANGER THIS VERY *INSTANT* FOR ALL I KNOW!
THINK SO?!

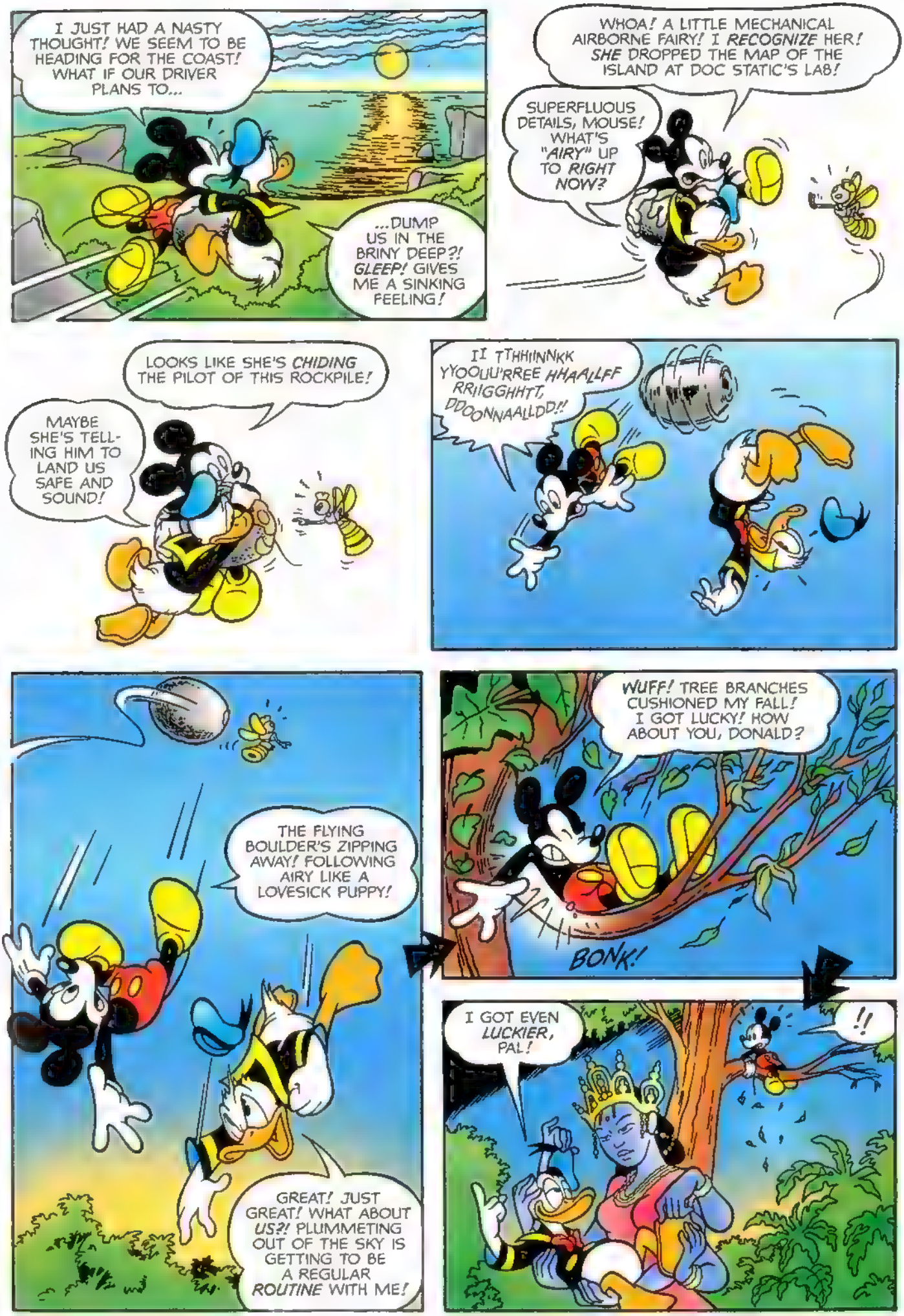

LOOK! A CAVE IN THAT HILL WITH SMOKE COMING OUT OF IT! IT COULD BE OUR *FRIENDS...*
...OR IT COULD BE SOME UNKNOWN *MENACE!*


OKAY! WE'LL DECIDE WHO CHECKS IT OUT BY PLAYING "*ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS*"! READY?! ONE, TWO, THREE...
ALL RIGHT! BUT I DON'T LIKE IT! YOU ALWAYS *WIN* AT THIS GAME!

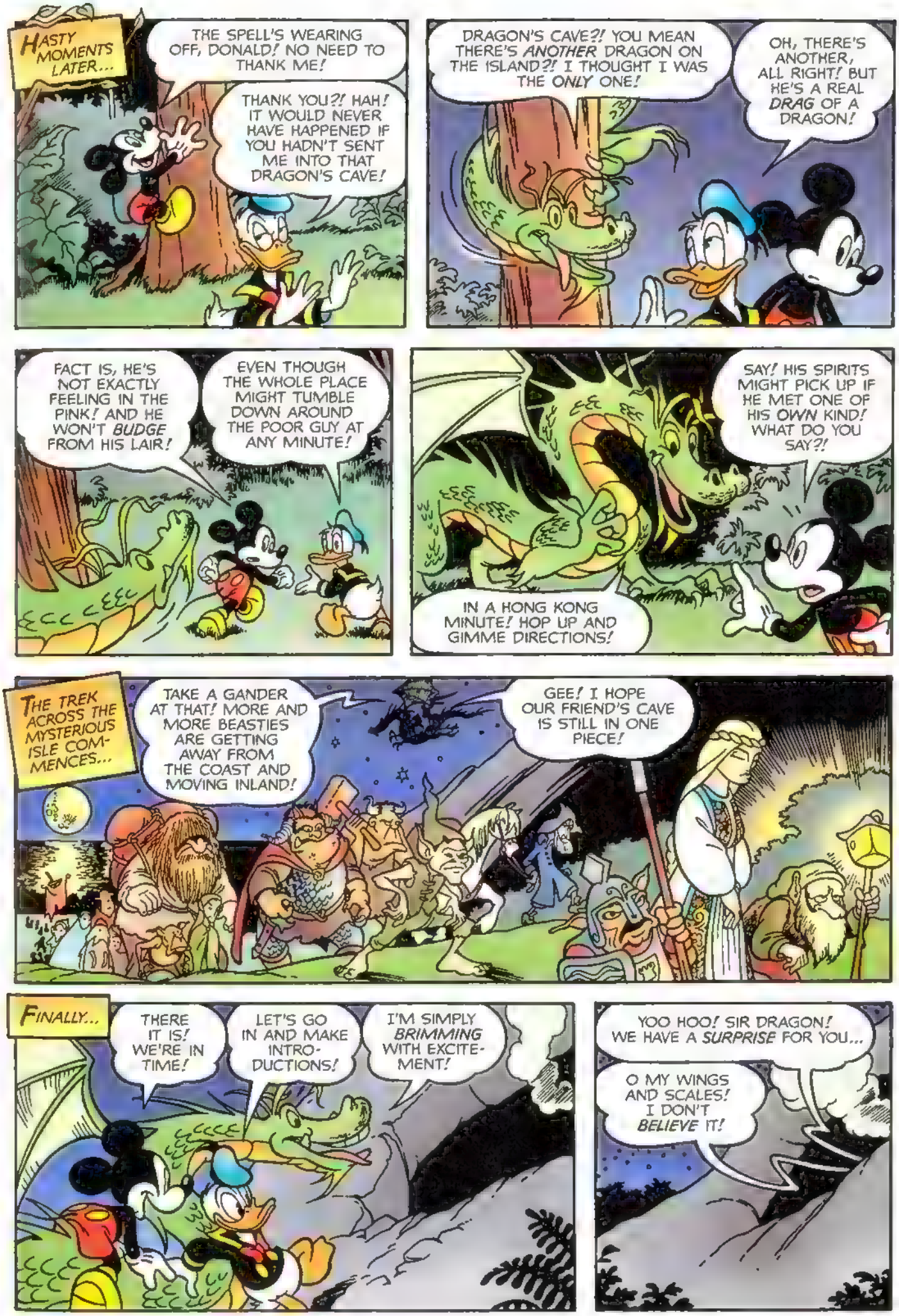

HAH! *PAPER COVERS ROCK!* YOU LOSE, DONALD! GO SEE WHAT'S IN THAT CAVERN!
ARGH! IT'S THE SAME OLD STORY!

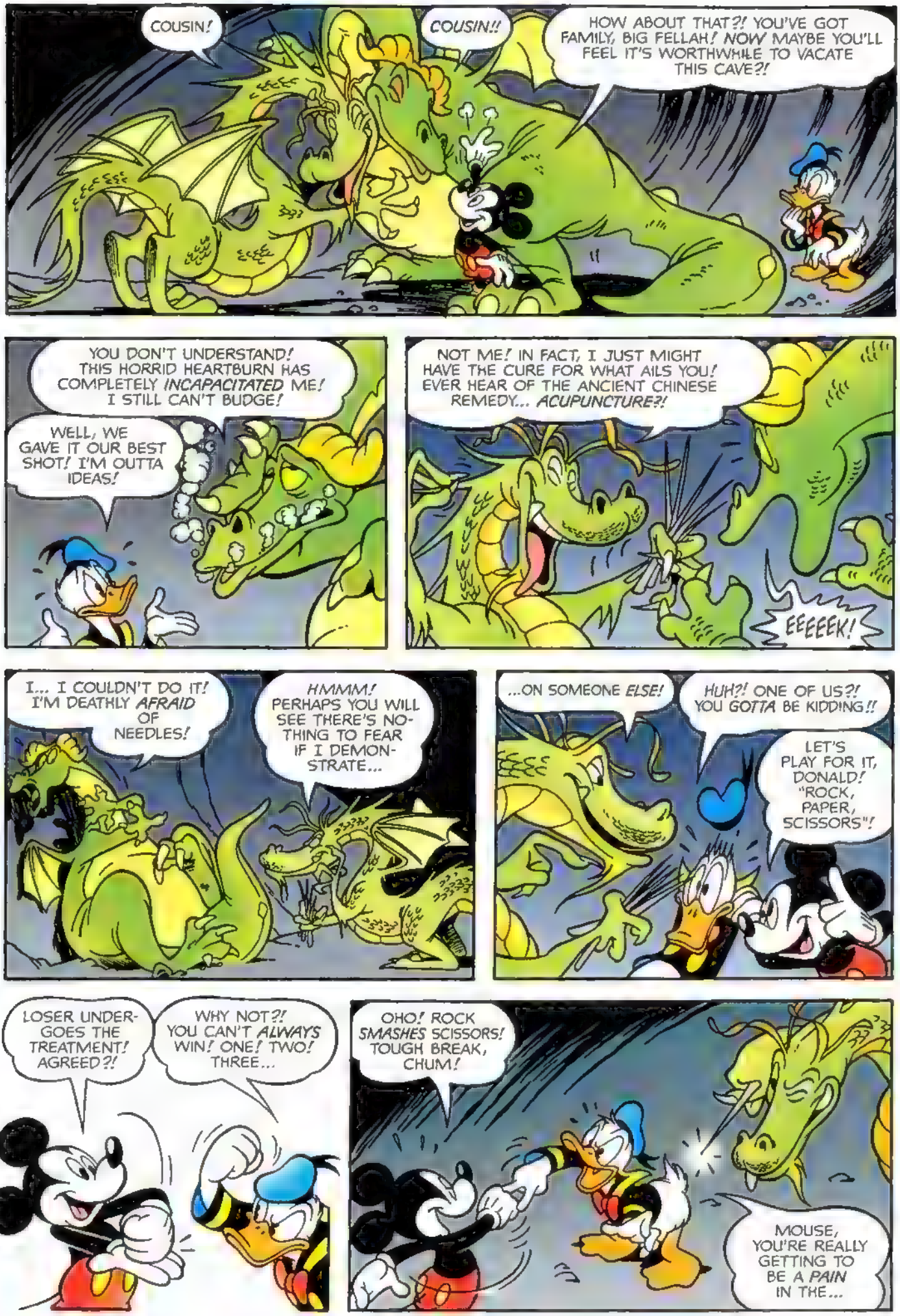
GRR! THAT MOUSE ALWAYS SUCKERS ME INTO DOING THE DIRTY WORK! =COUGH!= SMOKE'S AWFUL THICK! WHAT'S CAUSING—
=GULP!= HOLY... HOPPING... MUDPUPPIES...
A DUH-DUH-DUH... DRAGON!!
SSSSSSSSSS!
PLEASE! DON'T SHOUT! I CAN'T STAND IT!
DONALD?! WHAT ARE— OMIGOSH! I KNOW THIS DRAGON! HE'S ONE OF THE ENGLISH BEASTIES I MET BEFORE! HE'S GENTLE AS A KITTEN!
BUT I DON'T GET IT, FELLAH! YOUR CAVE COULD SOON CRUMBLE INTO THE SEA! WHY DIDN'T YOU SKEDADDLE WITH THE OTHERS?!
=GROAN!= I'M TOO MISERABLE TO MOVE!
I'VE GOT A CASE OF HEARTBURN THAT'S BEYOND BELIEF!
IF ONLY WE HAD MY FIZZY POP RIGHT NOW! IT'D CURE ANY OLD CASE OF HEARTBURN!
UH-OH! YOU STRANGERS BETTER GET OUT OF HERE FAST! I FEEL ANOTHER =URP!= BELCH COMING ON!
SO? WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?!

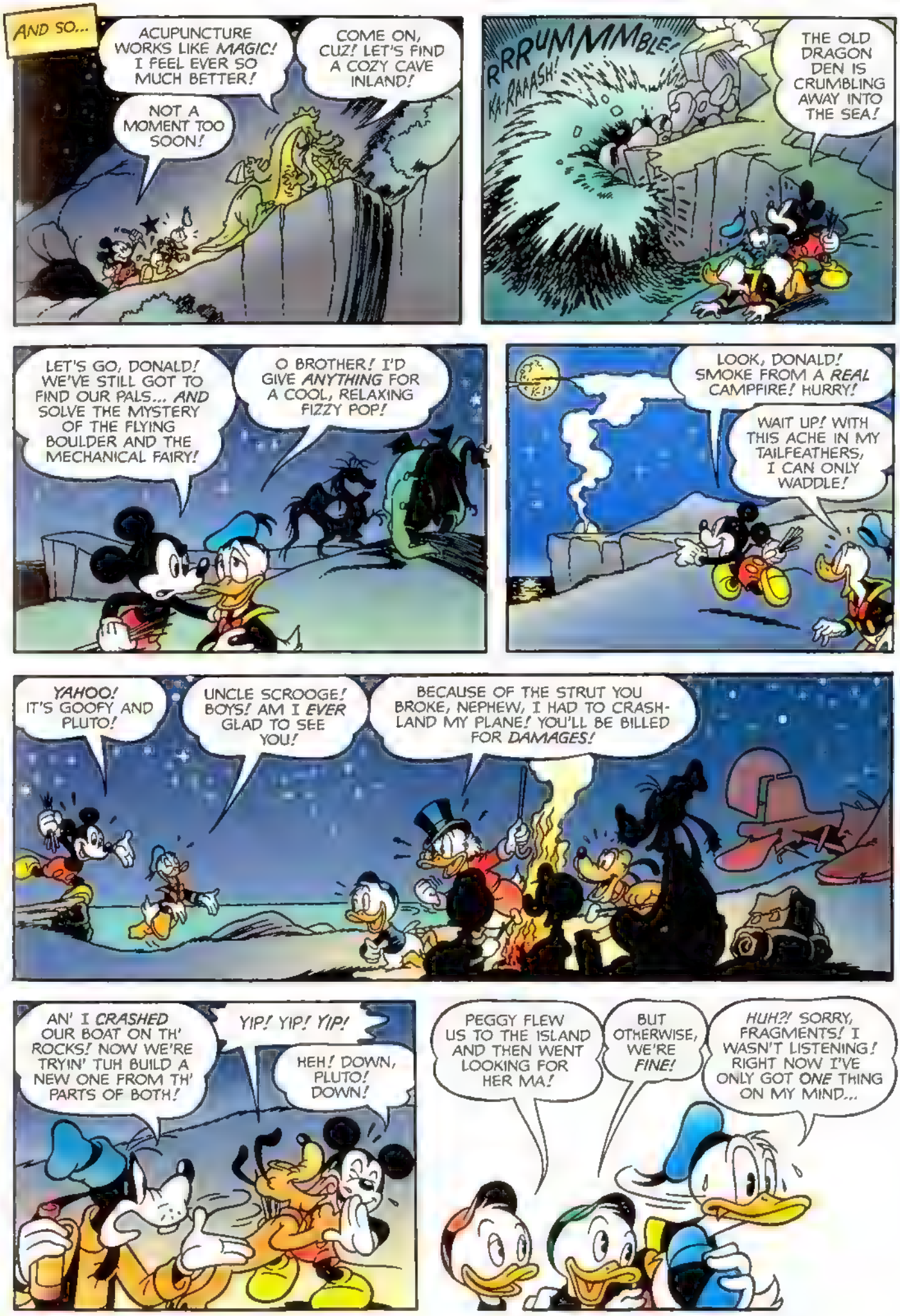

BUURRppp!
PHWOOOOSH!!
YOU HAD TO ASK!
YIKES!!
SHEESH! THAT OVERGROWN LIZARD'S STARTED A SMALL AVALANCHE!
TRY TO GRAB AHOLD OF SOMETHING THAT ISN'T FALLING!
HURFF! THIS BOULDER'LL HAVE TO DO!
HOLD THE PHONE! IT'S NOT FALLING, ALL RIGHT! IT'S RISING!
WAK! WE'RE NOT ON A BOULDER! IT'S SOME KIND OF STRANGE, FLYING ROCK-SHAPED CRAFT!
THERE'S OBVIOUSLY SOMEONE OR SOMETHING INSIDE WHO'S STEERING THE DARNED THING!
BETTER HANG ON TIGHT, DONALD! WHOEVER'S DRIVING THIS CONTRAPTION ISN'T ABOUT TO SET US DOWN!
COULDN'T WE JUST HAVE TAKEN A CAB?
WOW! WE CAN SEE THE INTERIOR OF THE ISLAND FROM UP HERE! THERE ARE THE GREEK BEASTS! AND THE ENGLISH ONES!
AND OTHERS! ALL KINDS OF DIFFERENT MYTHOLOGICAL CREATURES LIVE IN THIS WACKY PLACE!

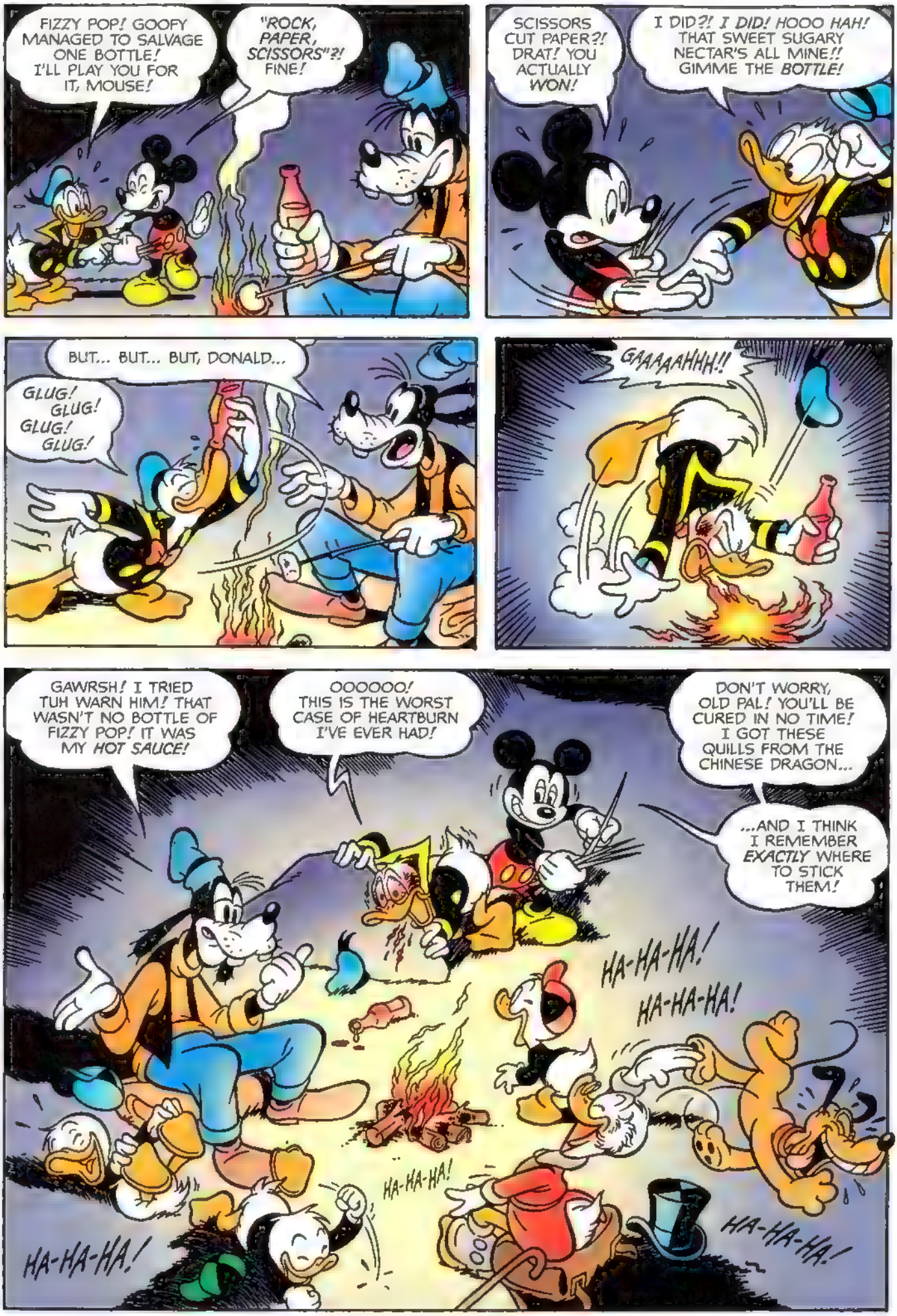

I JUST HAD A NASTY THOUGHT! WE SEEM TO BE HEADING FOR THE COAST! WHAT IF OUR DRIVER PLANS TO...
...DUMP US IN THE BRINY DEEP?! GLEEP! GIVES ME A SINKING FEELING!
WHOA! A LITTLE MECHANICAL AIRBORNE FAIRY! I RECOGNIZE HER! SHE DROPPED THE MAP OF THE ISLAND AT DOC STATIC'S LAB!
SUPERFLUOUS DETAILS, MOUSE! WHAT'S "AIRY" UP TO RIGHT NOW?
LOOKS LIKE SHE'S CHIDING THE PILOT OF THIS ROCKPILE!
MAYBE SHE'S TELLING HIM TO LAND US SAFE AND SOUND!
II TTHHIINNKK YYOOUU'RREE HHAALLFF RRIIGGHHTT, DDOONNAALLDD!!
THE FLYING BOULDER'S ZIPPING AWAY! FOLLOWING AIRY LIKE A LOVESICK PUPPY!
GREAT! JUST GREAT! WHAT ABOUT US?! PLUMMETING OUT OF THE SKY IS GETTING TO BE A REGULAR ROUTINE WITH ME!
WUFF! TREE BRANCHES CUSHIONED MY FALL! I GOT LUCKY! HOW ABOUT YOU, DONALD?
BONK!
I GOT EVEN LUCKIER, PAL!
!!

OUT OF MY HOME, WISE GUY! TENGU DON'T WANT YOU HERE!
TENGU?! I GET IT! WE'VE LANDED ON A PART OF THE ISLAND POPULATED BY ASIAN MYTHOLOGICAL CREATURES!
YOU KNOW, I COULD GET UP-IN-ARMS ABOUT A DOLL LIKE YOU!
KNOCK IT OFF, DONALD! I THINK SHE MIGHT MEAN TROUBLE!
SPLOT!
PUT A SOCK IN IT, MOUSE! YOU'RE JUST JEALOUS! FOR ONCE I GET THE GIRL WITHOUT HAVING TO PLAY "PAPER, ROCK, SCISSORS"!
BUT... BUT... BUT...
THERE THEY GO! OFF TO THE DEEP WOODS! WHAT YOUR FEATHERED FRIEND DOESN'T KNOW IS THAT BABE'S A YAKSHA!
A YAKSHA? YOU MEAN FROM INDIAN MYTHOLOGY?
YEP! SHE LURES MEN INTO THE FOREST AND TURNS THEM INTO TREES!
HOLY CANNOLI! WE GOTTA SAVE MY BUDDY!
WHAT'S YOUR SIGN, TOOTS? COME HERE OFTEN? HMM! NOT A BIG TALKER, EH? THAT'S OKAY! I LIKE THE STRONG, SILENT TYPE— HEY!!
WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME? MY HANDS ARE TURNING INTO TWIGS!
HEADS UP, DONALD!
HEY! THAT'S OUR OLD TRICK! YOU'VE GOT A NEW PARTNER!
ONLY FOR AS LONG AS IT TAKES TO PULL YOUR FAT OUT OF THE FIRE!


HASTY MOMENTS LATER...
THE SPELL'S WEARING OFF, DONALD! NO NEED TO THANK ME!
THANK YOU?! HAH! IT WOULD NEVER HAVE HAPPENED IF YOU HADN'T SENT ME INTO THAT DRAGON'S CAVE!
DRAGON'S CAVE?! YOU MEAN THERE'S ANOTHER DRAGON ON THE ISLAND?! I THOUGHT I WAS THE ONLY ONE!
OH, THERE'S ANOTHER, ALL RIGHT! BUT HE'S A REAL DRAG OF A DRAGON!
FACT IS, HE'S NOT EXACTLY FEELING IN THE PINK! AND HE WON'T BUDGE FROM HIS LAIR!
EVEN THOUGH THE WHOLE PLACE MIGHT TUMBLE DOWN AROUND THE POOR GUY AT ANY MINUTE!
SAY! HIS SPIRITS MIGHT PICK UP IF HE MET ONE OF HIS OWN KIND! WHAT DO YOU SAY?!
IN A HONG KONG MINUTE! HOP UP AND GIMME DIRECTIONS!
THE TREK ACROSS THE MYSTERIOUS ISLE COMMENCES...
TAKE A GANDER AT THAT! MORE AND MORE BEASTIES ARE GETTING AWAY FROM THE COAST AND MOVING INLAND!
GEE! I HOPE OUR FRIEND'S CAVE IS STILL IN ONE PIECE!
FINALLY...
THERE IT IS! WE'RE IN TIME!
LET'S GO IN AND MAKE INTRODUCTIONS!
I'M SIMPLY BRIMMING WITH EXCITEMENT!
YOO HOO! SIR DRAGON! WE HAVE A SURPRISE FOR YOU...
O MY WINGS AND SCALES! I DON'T BELIEVE IT!


COUSIN!
COUSIN!!
HOW ABOUT THAT?! YOU'VE GOT FAMILY, BIG FELLAH! NOW MAYBE YOU'LL FEEL IT'S WORTHWHILE TO VACATE THIS CAVE?!
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND! THIS HORRID HEARTBURN HAS COMPLETELY INCAPACITATED ME! I STILL CAN'T BUDGE!
WELL, WE GAVE IT OUR BEST SHOT! I'M OUTTA IDEAS!
NOT ME! IN FACT, I JUST MIGHT HAVE THE CURE FOR WHAT AILS YOU! EVER HEAR OF THE ANCIENT CHINESE REMEDY... ACUPUNCTURE?!
EEEEEK!
I... I COULDN'T DO IT! I'M DEATHLY AFRAID OF NEEDLES!
HMMM! PERHAPS YOU WILL SEE THERE'S NOTHING TO FEAR IF I DEMONSTRATE...
...ON SOMEONE ELSE!
HUH?! ONE OF US?! YOU GOTTA BE KIDDING!!
LET'S PLAY FOR IT, DONALD! "ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS"!
LOSER UNDERGOES THE TREATMENT! AGREED?!
WHY NOT?! YOU CAN'T ALWAYS WIN! ONE! TWO! THREE...
OHO! ROCK SMASHES SCISSORS! TOUGH BREAK, CHUM!
MOUSE, YOU'RE REALLY GETTING TO BE A PAIN IN THE...


AND SO...
ACUPUNCTURE WORKS LIKE MAGIC! I FEEL EVER SO MUCH BETTER!
COME ON, CUZ! LET'S FIND A COZY CAVE INLAND!
NOT A MOMENT TOO SOON!
RRRUMMMBLE!
KA-RAAASH!
THE OLD DRAGON DEN IS CRUMBLING AWAY INTO THE SEA!
LET'S GO, DONALD! WE'VE STILL GOT TO FIND OUR PALS... AND SOLVE THE MYSTERY OF THE FLYING BOULDER AND THE MECHANICAL FAIRY!
O BROTHER! I'D GIVE ANYTHING FOR A COOL, RELAXING FIZZY POP!
LOOK, DONALD! SMOKE FROM A REAL CAMPFIRE! HURRY!
WAIT UP! WITH THIS ACHE IN MY TAILFEATHERS, I CAN ONLY WADDLE!
YAHOO! IT'S GOOFY AND PLUTO!
UNCLE SCROOGE! BOYS! AM I EVER GLAD TO SEE YOU!
BECAUSE OF THE STRUT YOU BROKE, NEPHEW, I HAD TO CRASH-LAND MY PLANE! YOU'LL BE BILLED FOR DAMAGES!
AN' I CRASHED OUR BOAT ON TH' ROCKS! NOW WE'RE TRYIN' TUH BUILD A NEW ONE FROM TH' PARTS OF BOTH!
YIP! YIP! YIP!
HEH! DOWN, PLUTO! DOWN!
PEGGY FLEW US TO THE ISLAND AND THEN WENT LOOKING FOR HER MA!
BUT OTHERWISE, WE'RE FINE!
HUH?! SORRY, FRAGMENTS! I WASN'T LISTENING! RIGHT NOW I'VE ONLY GOT ONE THING ON MY MIND...


FIZZY POP! GOOFY MANAGED TO SALVAGE ONE BOTTLE! I'LL PLAY YOU FOR IT, MOUSE!
"ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS"?! FINE!
SCISSORS CUT PAPER?! DRAT! YOU ACTUALLY WON!
I DID?! I DID! HOOO HAH! THAT SWEET SUGARY NECTAR'S ALL MINE!! GIMME THE BOTTLE!
BUT... BUT... BUT, DONALD...
GLUG! GLUG! GLUG! GLUG!
GAAAAAHHH!!
GAWRSH! I TRIED TUH WARN HIM! THAT WASN'T NO BOTTLE OF FIZZY POP! IT WAS MY HOT SAUCE!
OOOOOO! THIS IS THE WORST CASE OF HEARTBURN I'VE EVER HAD!
DON'T WORRY, OLD PAL! YOU'LL BE CURED IN NO TIME! I GOT THESE QUILLS FROM THE CHINESE DRAGON...
...AND I THINK I REMEMBER EXACTLY WHERE TO STICK THEM!
HA-HA-HA!
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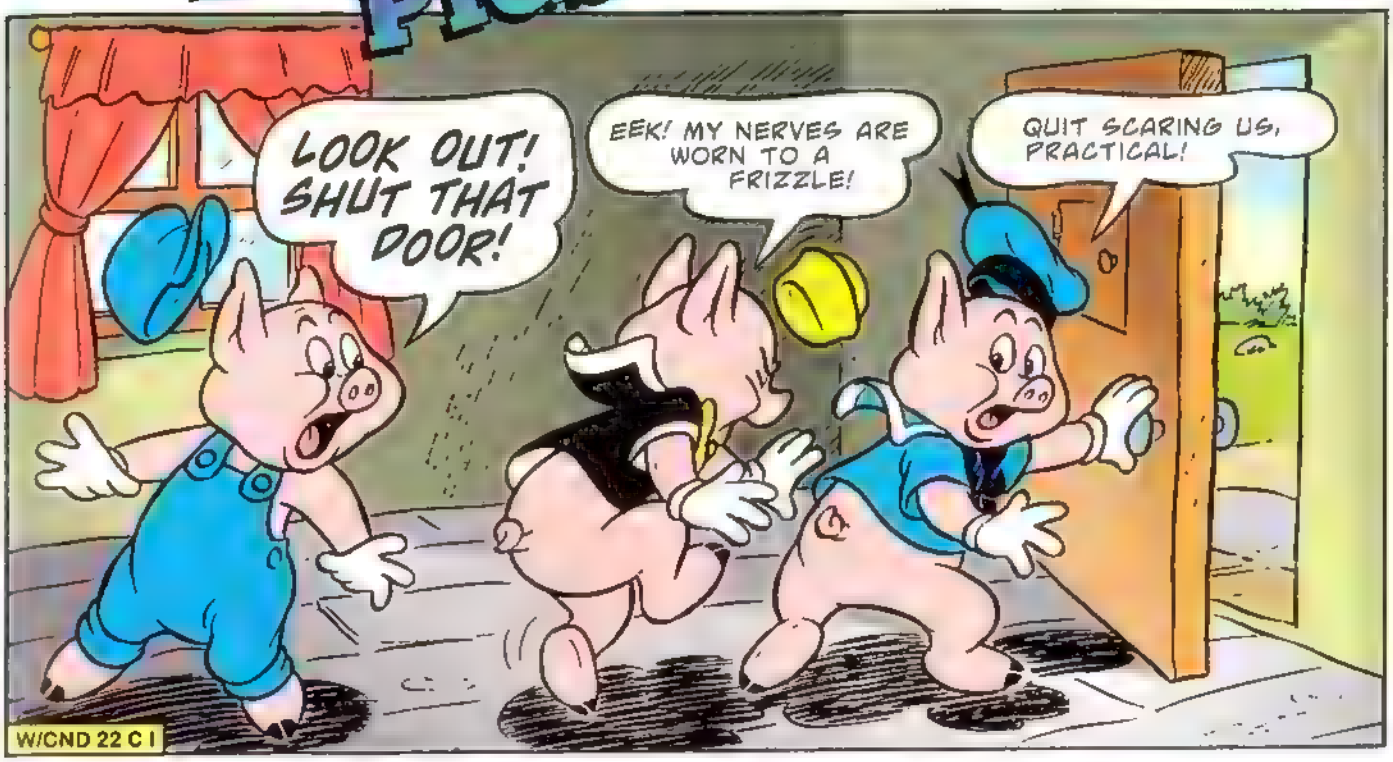
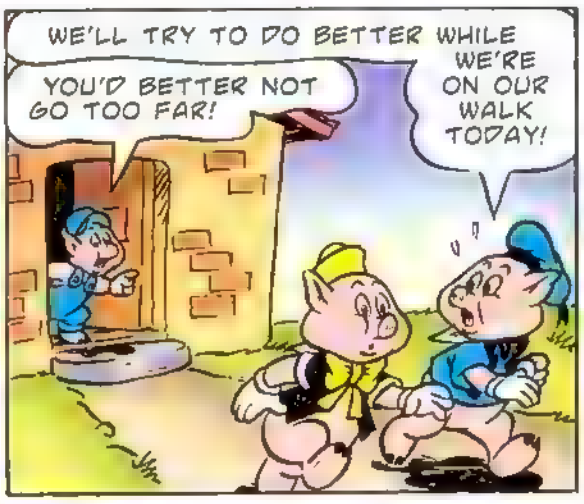
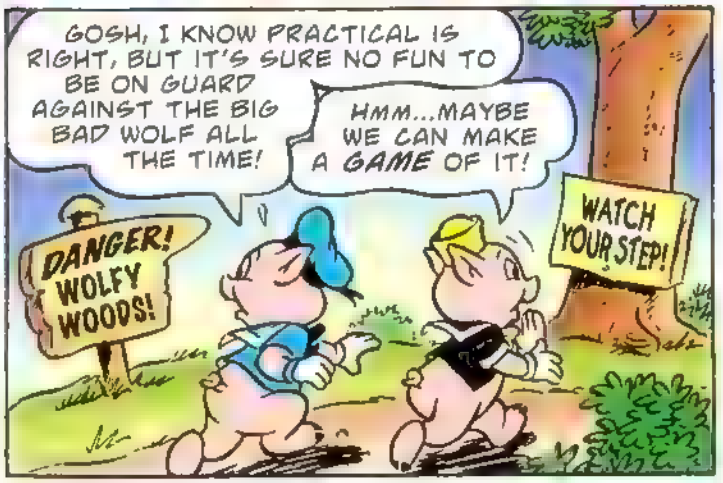
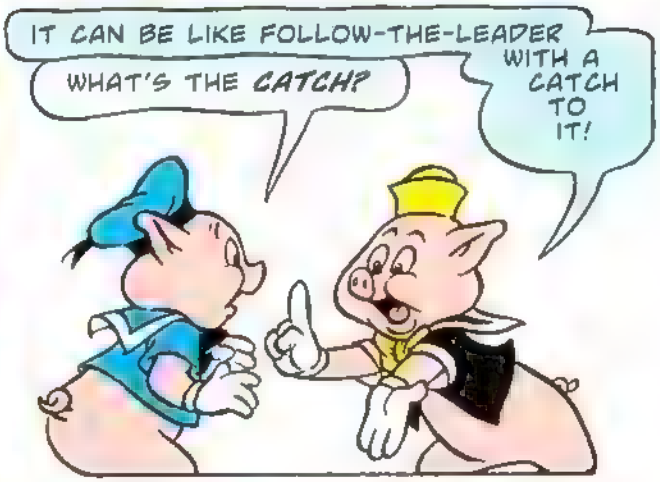
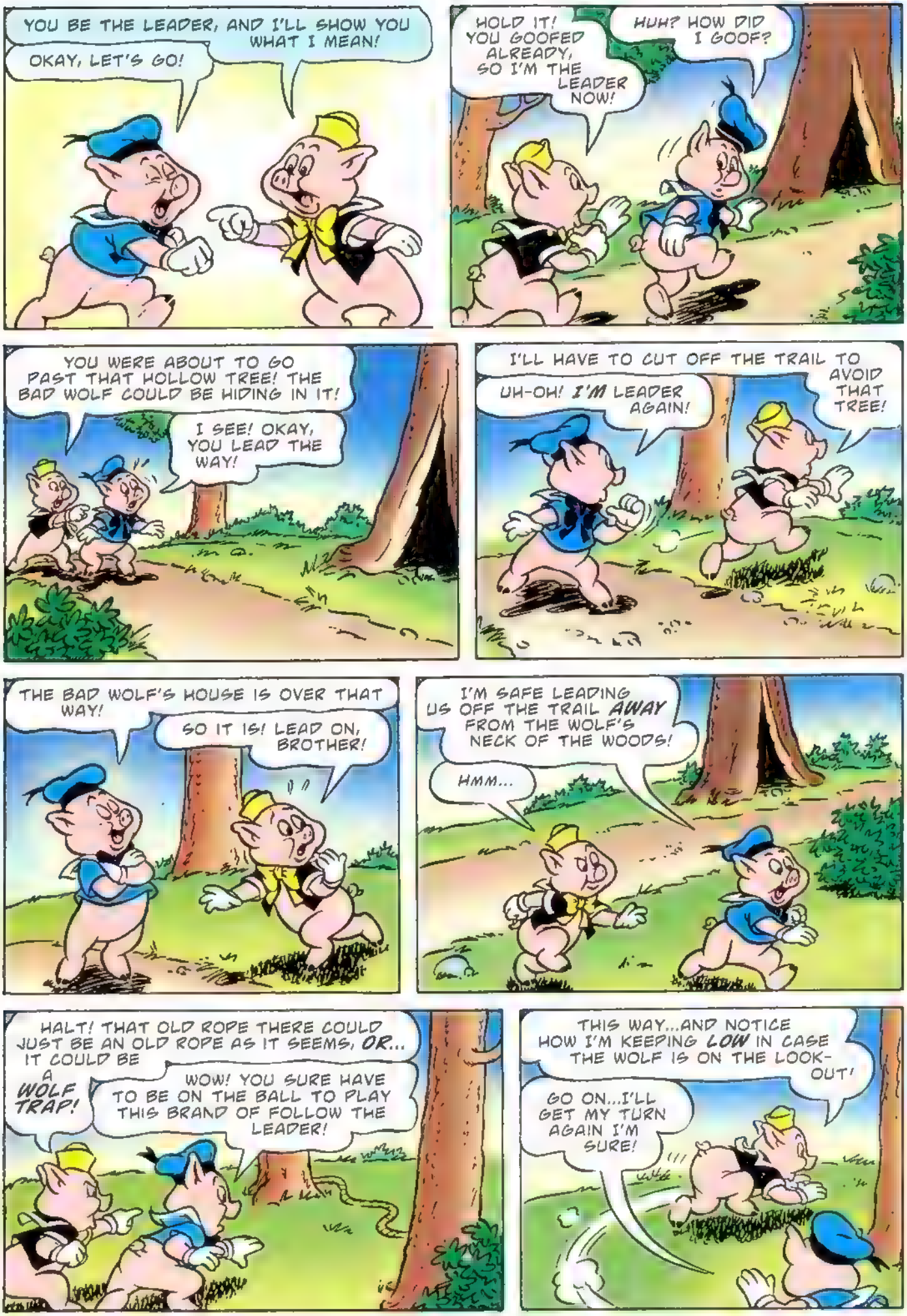


YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO PEEK OUT THE PEEP DOOR BEFORE YOU OPEN THE BIG DOOR!
SORRY! WE FORGOT! IT'S HARD TO REMEMBER ALL OF THE SAFETY RULES!
WHAT IF THE WOLF HAD BEEN OUT THERE?

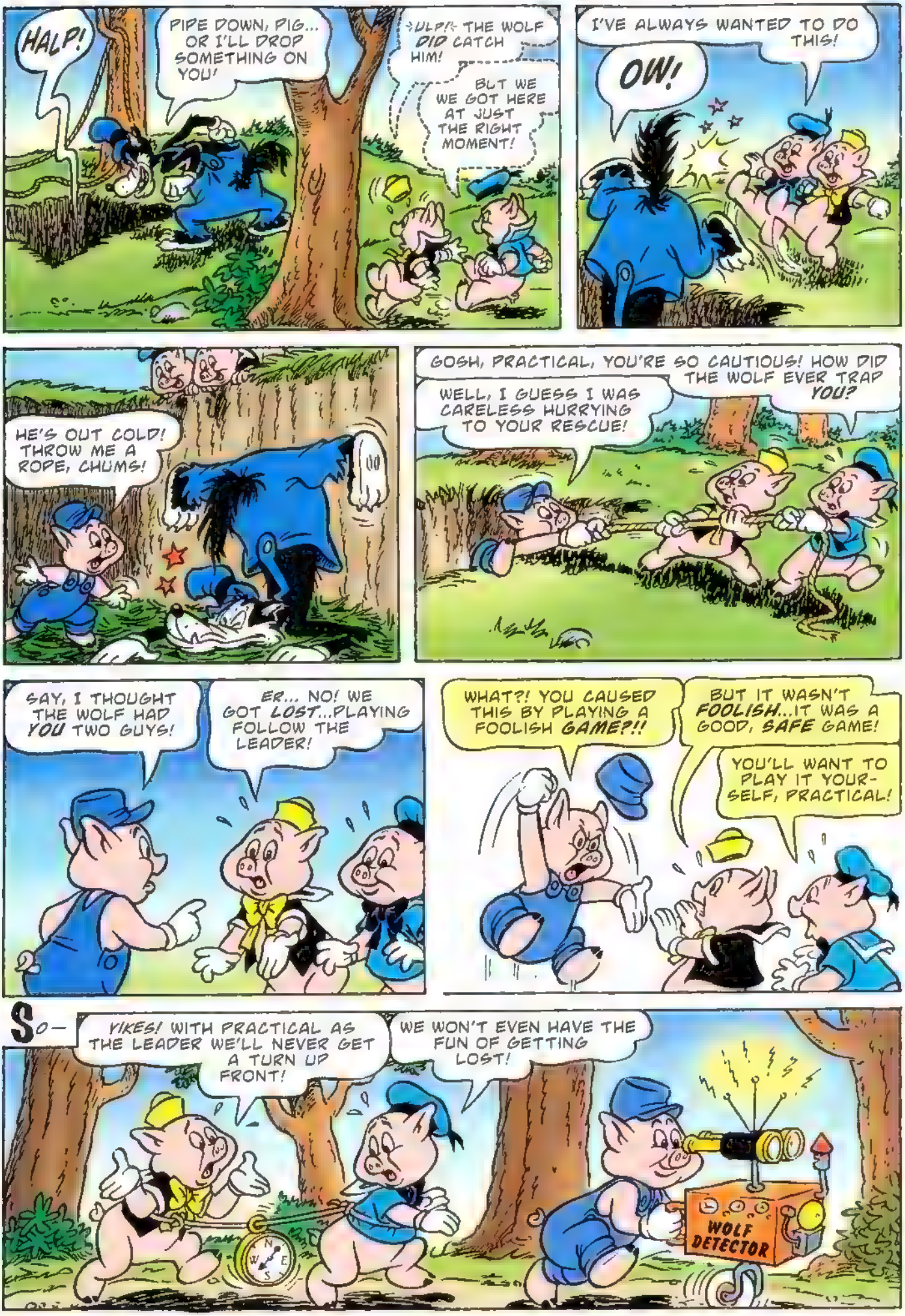


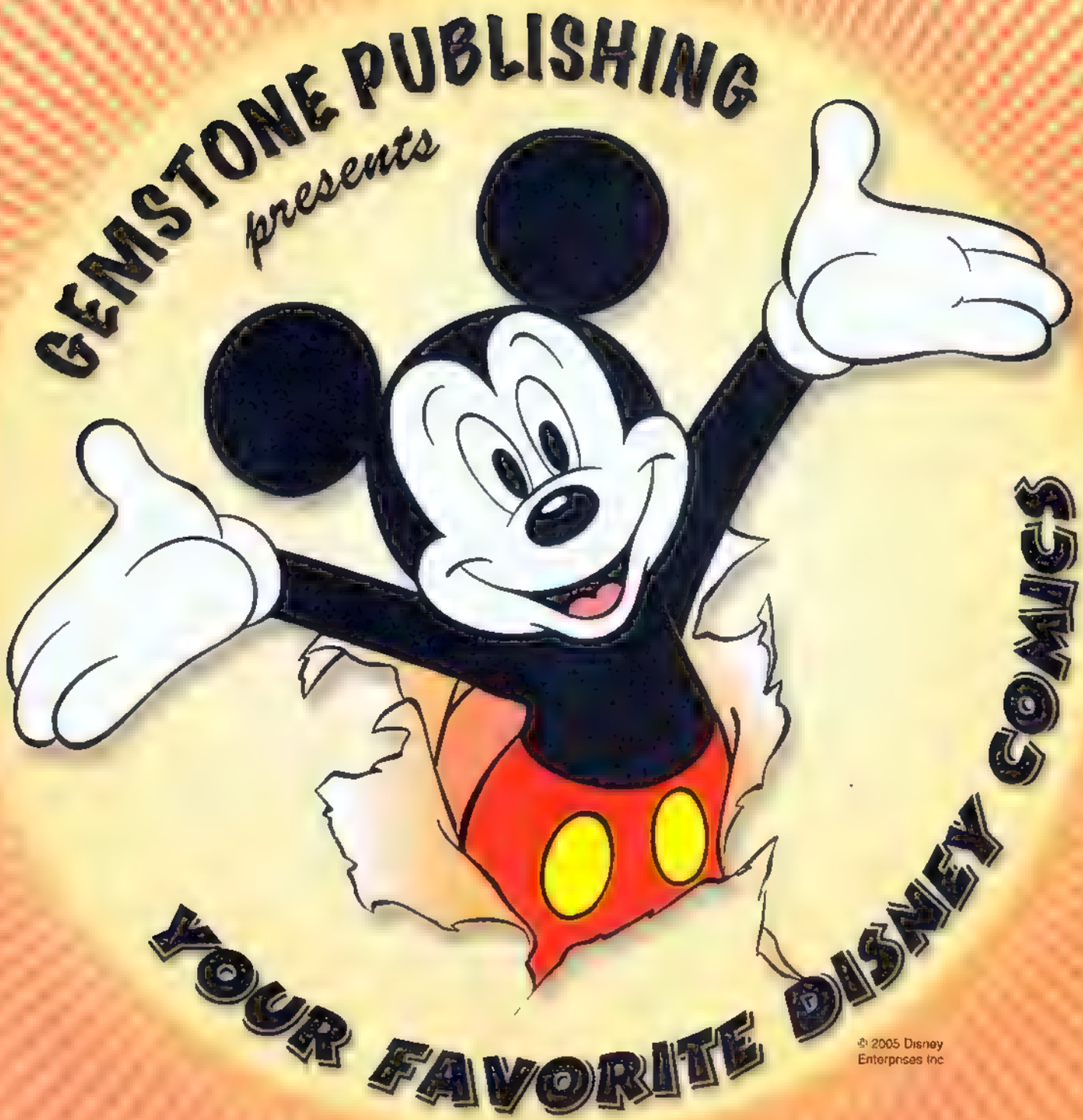

GOSH, I KNOW PRACTICAL IS RIGHT, BUT IT'S SURE NO FUN TO BE ON GUARD AGAINST THE BIG BAD WOLF ALL THE TIME!
HMM...MAYBE WE CAN MAKE A GAME OF IT!
DANGER! WOLFY WOODS!
WATCH YOUR STEP!




YOU BE THE LEADER, AND I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT I MEAN!
OKAY, LET'S GO!
HOLD IT! YOU GOOFED ALREADY, SO I'M THE LEADER NOW!
HUH? HOW DID I GOOF?
YOU WERE ABOUT TO GO PAST THAT HOLLOW TREE! THE BAD WOLF COULD BE HIDING IN IT!
I SEE! OKAY, YOU LEAD THE WAY!
I'LL HAVE TO CUT OFF THE TRAIL TO AVOID THAT TREE!
UH-OH! I'M LEADER AGAIN!
THE BAD WOLF'S HOUSE IS OVER THAT WAY!
SO IT IS! LEAD ON, BROTHER!
I'M SAFE LEADING US OFF THE TRAIL AWAY FROM THE WOLF'S NECK OF THE WOODS!
HMM...
HALT! THAT OLD ROPE THERE COULD JUST BE AN OLD ROPE AS IT SEEMS, OR... IT COULD BE A WOLF TRAP!
WOW! YOU SURE HAVE TO BE ON THE BALL TO PLAY THIS BRAND OF FOLLOW THE LEADER!
THIS WAY...AND NOTICE HOW I'M KEEPING LOW IN CASE THE WOLF IS ON THE LOOK-OUT!
GO ON...I'LL GET MY TURN AGAIN I'M SURE!

AND A WHOLE LOT OF FOLLOW-THE-LEADER LATER—
HEY! HOLD IT, BROTHER!
HUH? I THOUGHT I WAS BEING A GOOD LEADER!
WE'VE BEEN TOO GOOD! WE'VE DARTED AND DODGED IN SO MANY DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS THAT... THAT...
GULP! WE'RE LOST!
SO—
HALP! HALP! HALP!
OMIGOSH! MY CARELESS BROTHERS MUST'VE FALLEN INTO THE BAD WOLF'S HANDS!
HERE I COME, BROTHERS!
OH, BROTHER! HEE-HEE! IS HE EVER A SUCKER FOR THE OLD ROPE TRICK!
EEK! HALP!
TWANG!
HALP! HALP!
GOO-LEE! PRACTICAL SURE ISN'T MUCH HELP!
SURE HE IS! LET'S HEAD FOR THE SOUND OF HIS VOICE!
ALL RIGHT, BUT IF THE WOLF HAS CAUGHT HIM...
HALP!
THE WOLF CATCH PRACTICAL? HAH! HE MUST BE IN SOME OTHER KIND OF TROUBLE!


HALP!
PIPE DOWN, PIG... OR I'LL DROP SOMETHING ON YOU!
GULP!* THE WOLF DID CATCH HIM!
BUT WE WE GOT HERE AT JUST THE RIGHT MOMENT!
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO DO THIS!
OW!
HE'S OUT COLD! THROW ME A ROPE, CHUMS!
GOSH, PRACTICAL, YOU'RE SO CAUTIOUS! HOW DID THE WOLF EVER TRAP YOU?
WELL, I GUESS I WAS CARELESS HURRYING TO YOUR RESCUE!
SAY, I THOUGHT THE WOLF HAD YOU TWO GUYS!
ER... NO! WE GOT LOST...PLAYING FOLLOW THE LEADER!
WHAT?! YOU CAUSED THIS BY PLAYING A FOOLISH GAME?!!
BUT IT WASN'T FOOLISH...IT WAS A GOOD, SAFE GAME!
YOU'LL WANT TO PLAY IT YOURSELF, PRACTICAL!
SO—
YIKES! WITH PRACTICAL AS THE LEADER WE'LL NEVER GET A TURN UP FRONT!
WE WON'T EVEN HAVE THE FUN OF GETTING LOST!
WOLF DETECTOR



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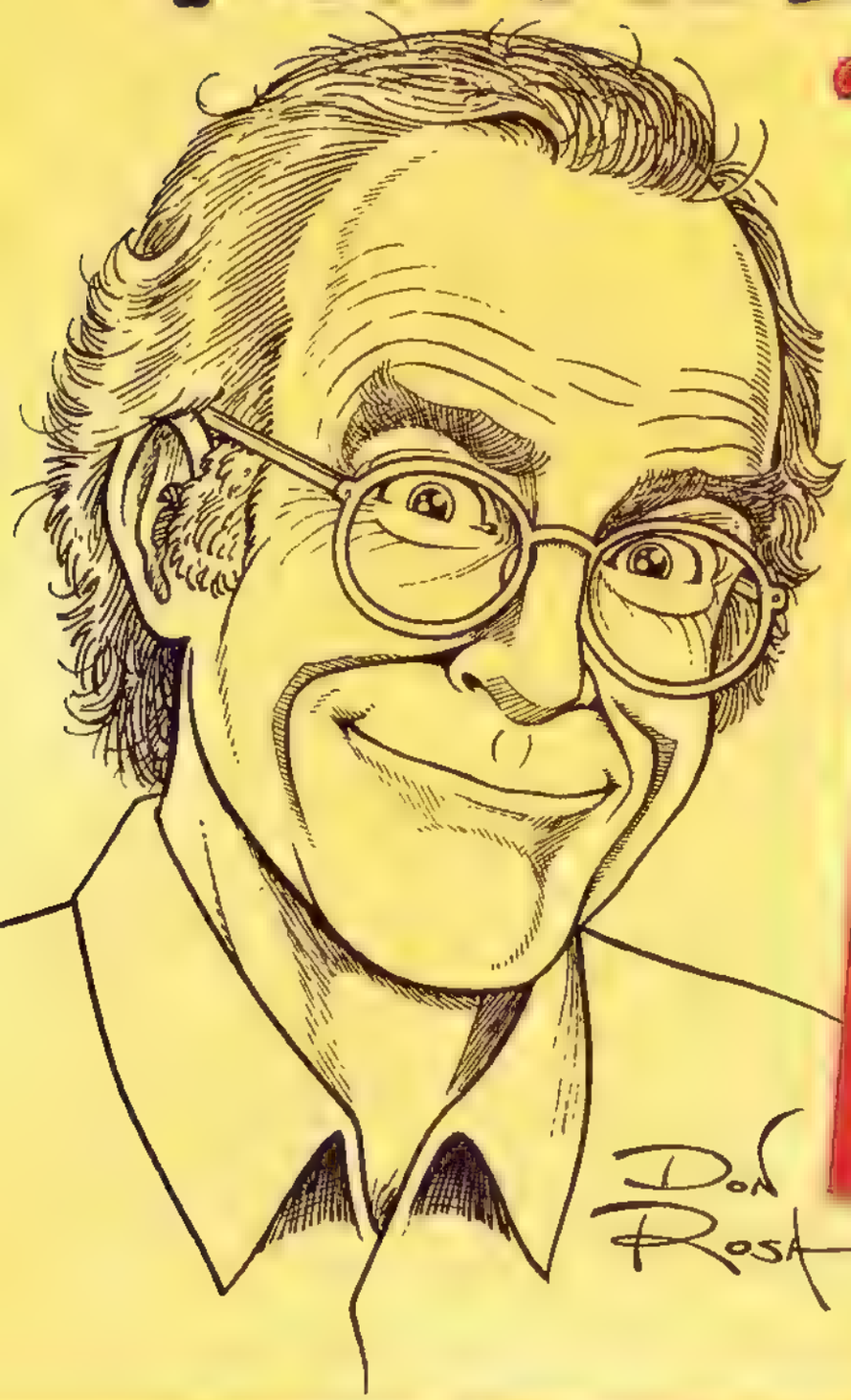

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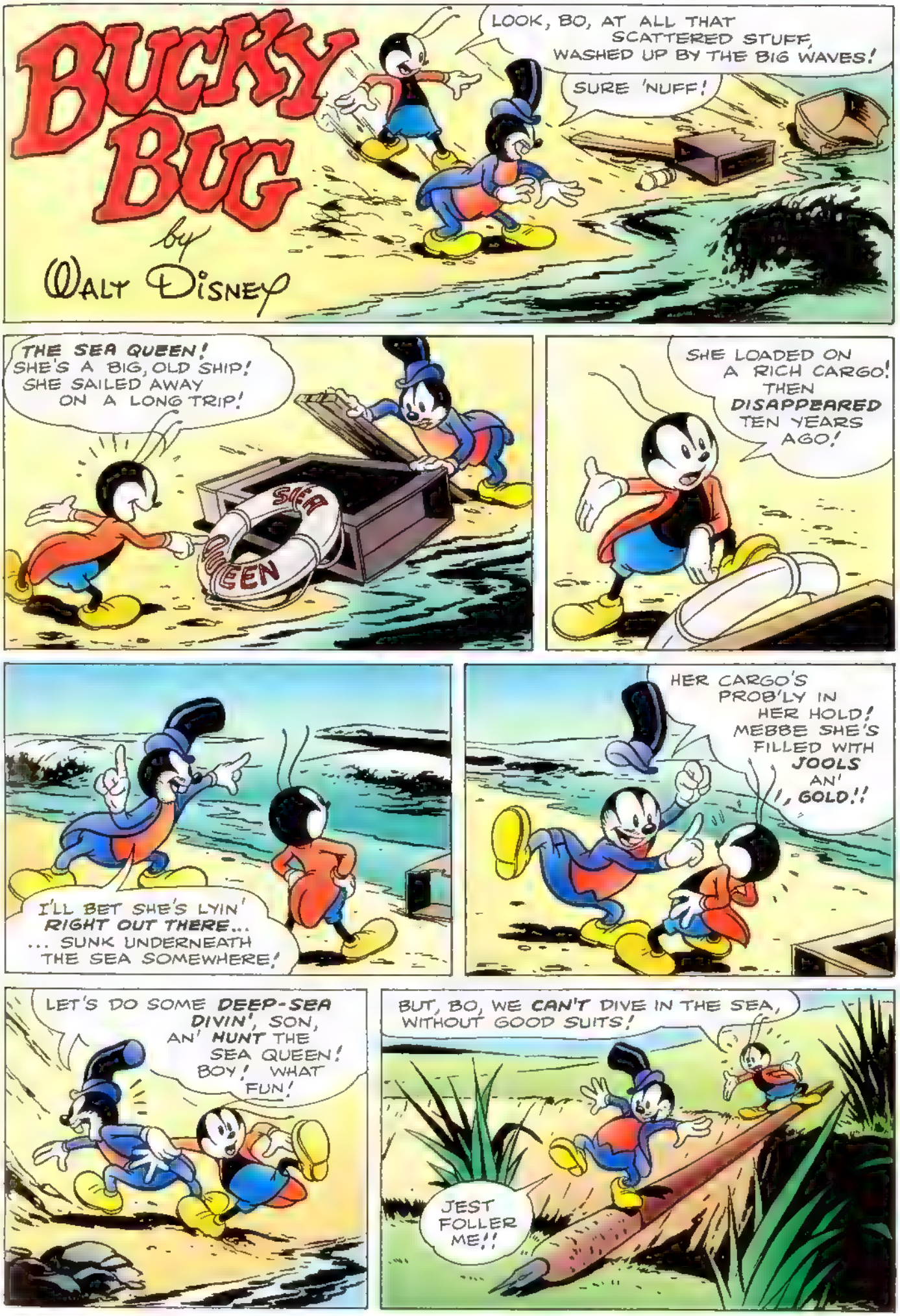
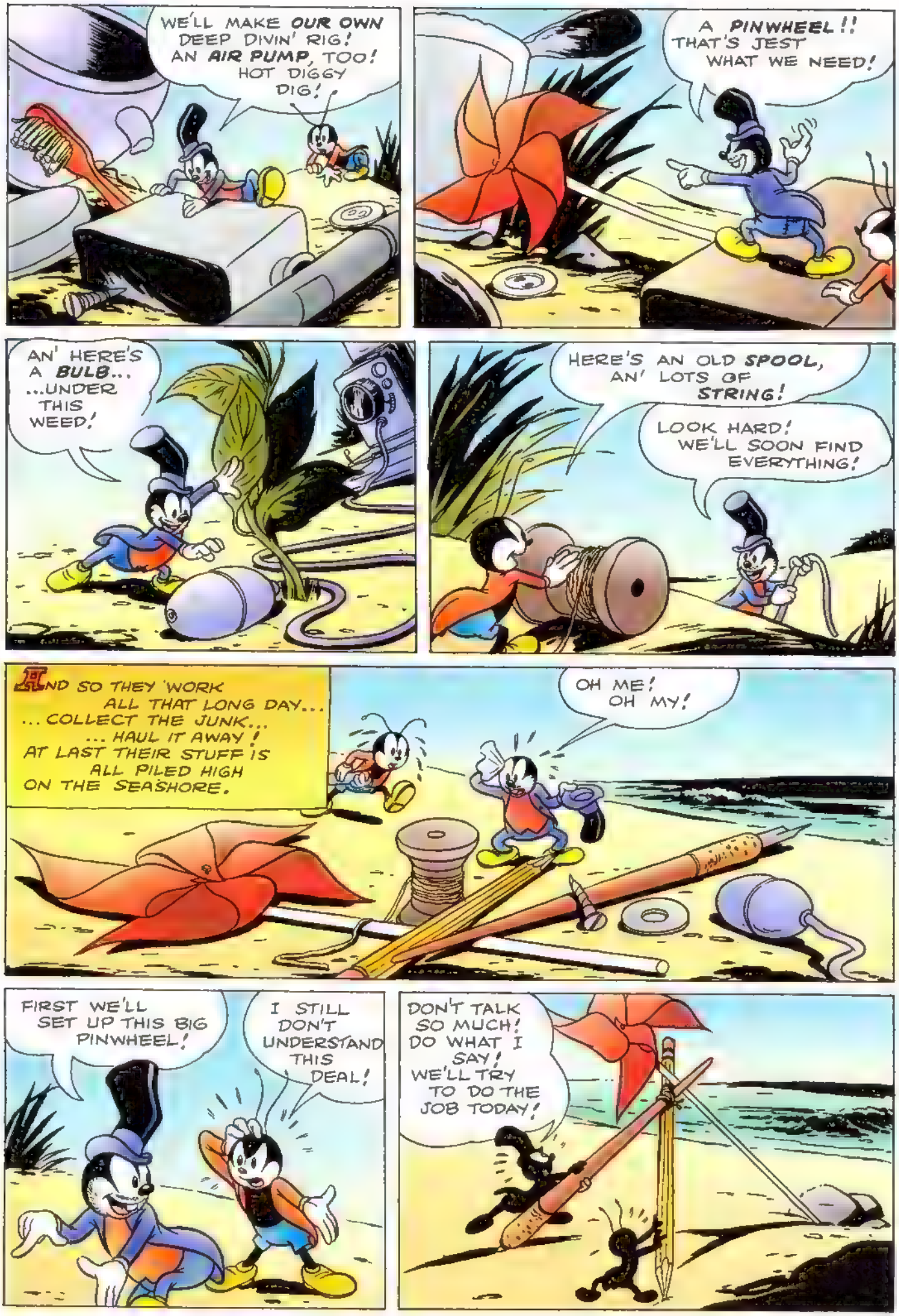
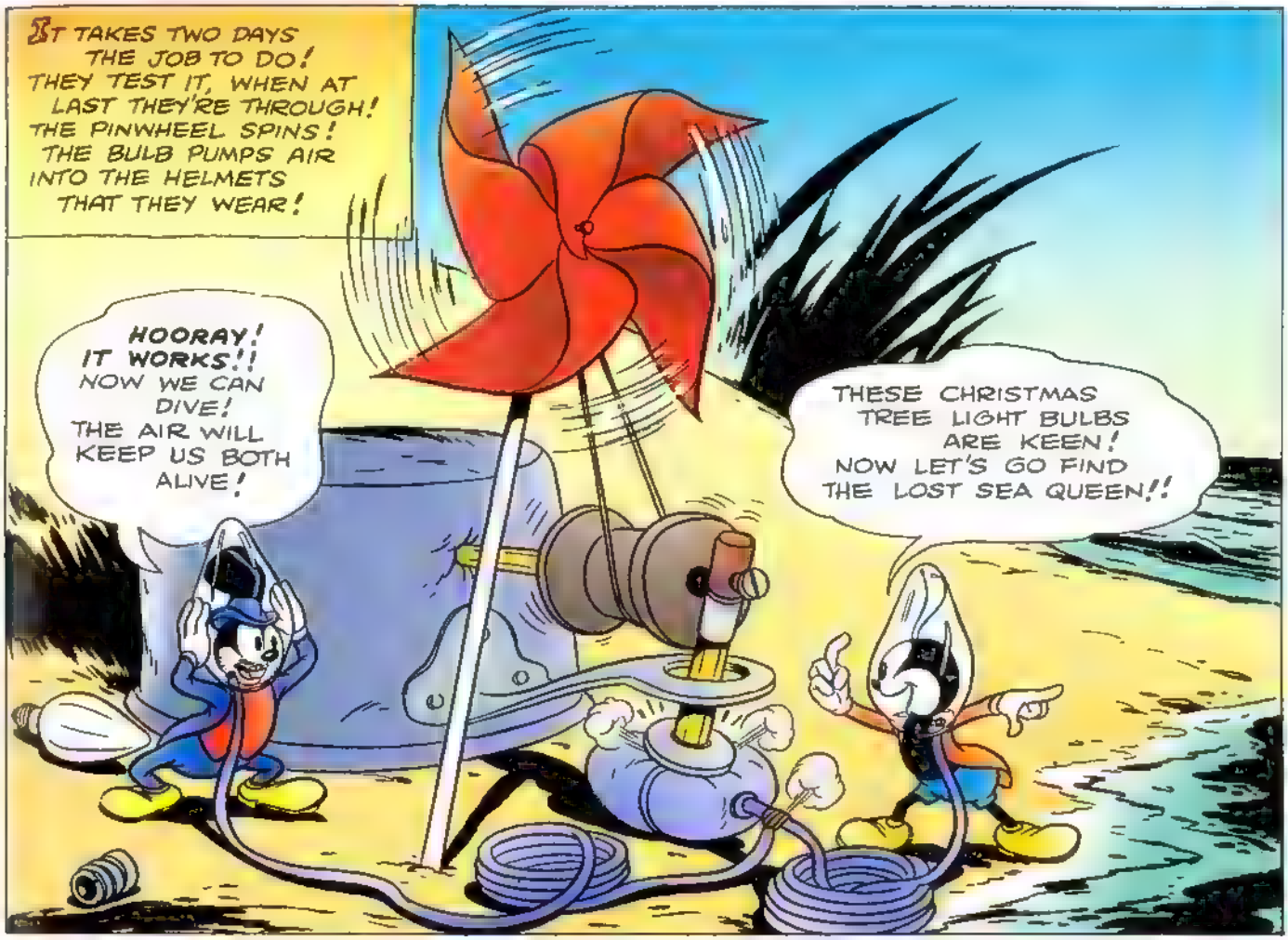
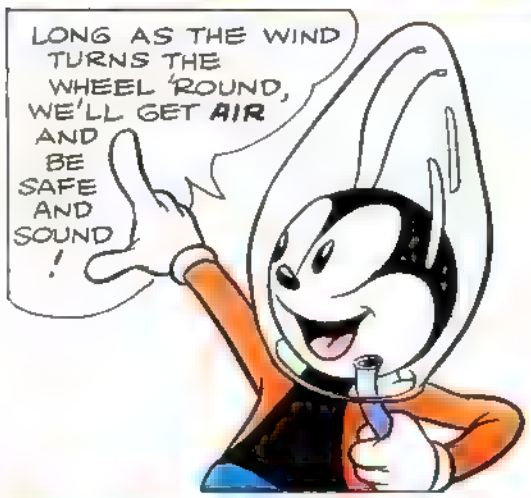
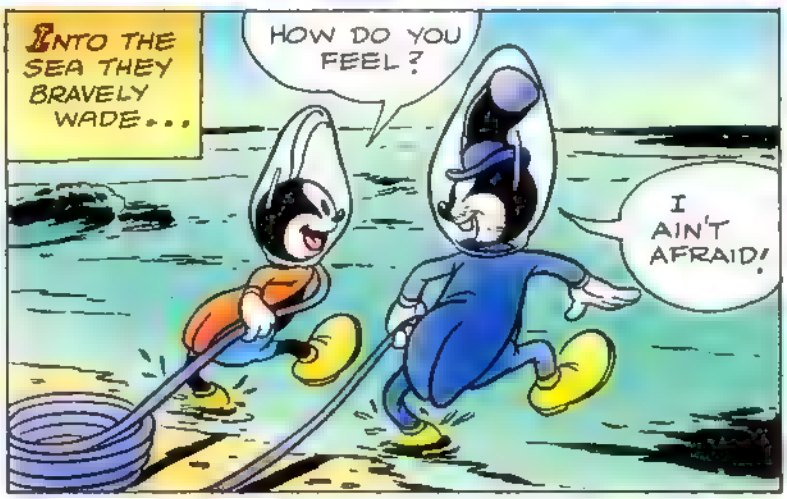
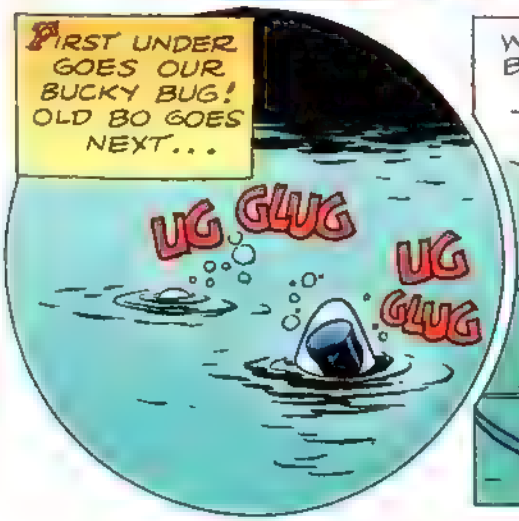

BUCKY BUG
by
WALT DISNEY
LOOK, BO, AT ALL THAT SCATTERED STUFF, WASHED UP BY THE BIG WAVES!
SURE 'NUFF!
THE SEA QUEEN! SHE'S A BIG, OLD SHIP! SHE SAILED AWAY ON A LONG TRIP!
SEA QUEEN
SHE LOADED ON A RICH CARGO! THEN DISAPPEARED TEN YEARS AGO!
I'LL BET SHE'S LYIN' RIGHT OUT THERE... ... SUNK UNDERNEATH THE SEA SOMEWHERE!
HER CARGO'S PROB'LY IN HER HOLD! MEBBE SHE'S FILLED WITH JOOLS AN' GOLD!!
LET'S DO SOME DEEP-SEA DIVIN', SON, AN' HUNT THE SEA QUEEN! BOY! WHAT FUN!
BUT, BO, WE CAN'T DIVE IN THE SEA, WITHOUT GOOD SUITS!
JEST FOLLER ME!!

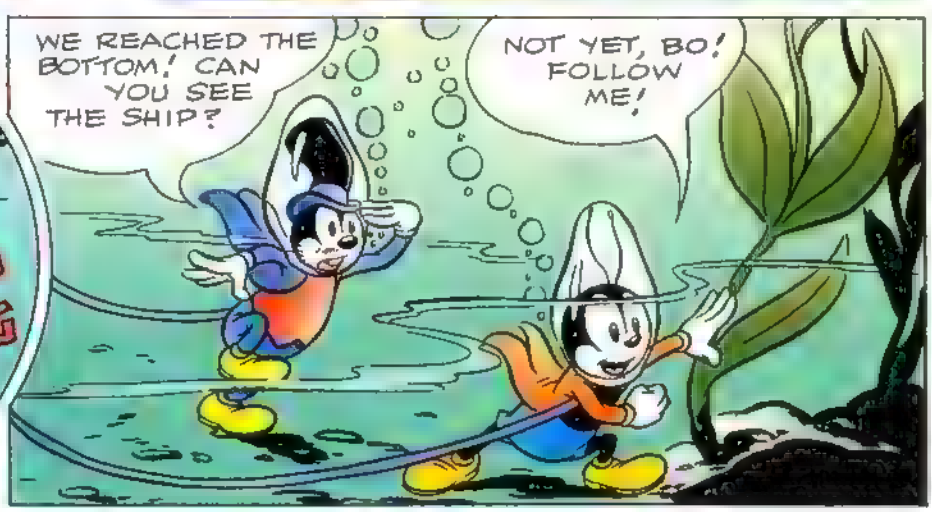

WE'LL MAKE OUR OWN DEEP DIVIN' RIG! AN AIR PUMP, TOO! HOT DIGGY DIG!
A PINWHEEL!! THAT'S JEST WHAT WE NEED!
AN' HERE'S A BULB... ...UNDER THIS WEED!
HERE'S AN OLD SPOOL, AN' LOTS OF STRING!
LOOK HARD! WE'LL SOON FIND EVERYTHING!
AND SO THEY 'WORK ALL THAT LONG DAY... ... COLLECT THE JUNK... ... HAUL IT AWAY! AT LAST THEIR STUFF IS ALL PILED HIGH ON THE SEASHORE.
OH ME! OH MY!
FIRST WE'LL SET UP THIS BIG PINWHEEL!
I STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS DEAL!
DON'T TALK SO MUCH! DO WHAT I SAY! WE'LL TRY TO DO THE JOB TODAY!

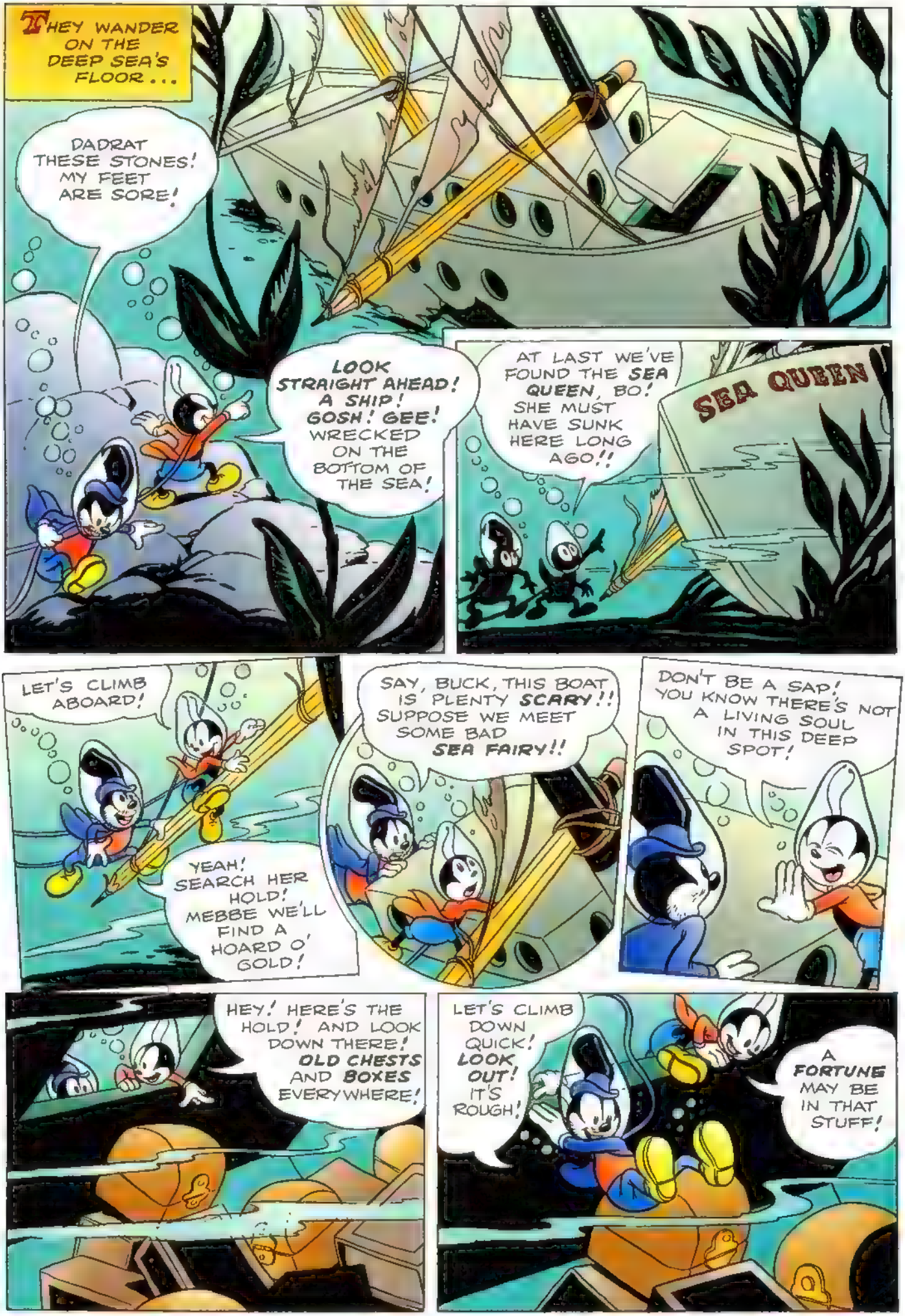

IT TAKES TWO DAYS THE JOB TO DO! THEY TEST IT, WHEN AT LAST THEY'RE THROUGH! THE PINWHEEL SPINS! THE BULB PUMPS AIR INTO THE HELMETS THAT THEY WEAR!
HOORAY! IT WORKS!! NOW WE CAN DIVE! THE AIR WILL KEEP US BOTH ALIVE!
THESE CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHT BULBS ARE KEEN! NOW LET'S GO FIND THE LOST SEA QUEEN!!


LONG AS THE WIND TURNS THE WHEEL 'ROUND, WE'LL GET AIR AND BE SAFE AND SOUND!


INTO THE SEA THEY BRAVELY WADE...
HOW DO YOU FEEL?
I AIN'T AFRAID!

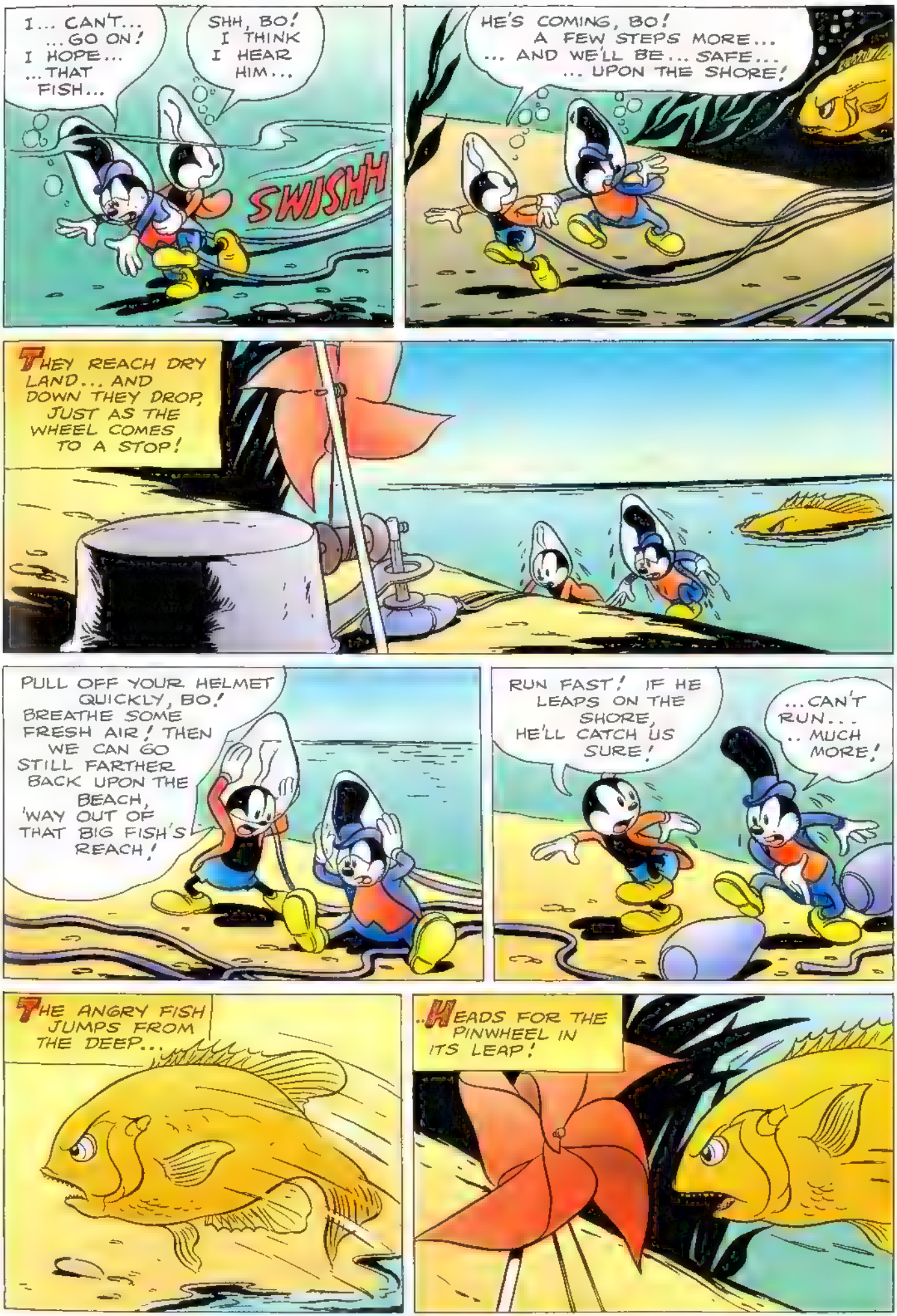

FIRST UNDER GOES OUR BUCKY BUG! OLD BO GOES NEXT...
UG GLUG
UG GLUG


WE REACHED THE BOTTOM! CAN YOU SEE THE SHIP?
NOT YET, BO! FOLLOW ME!


THEY WANDER ON THE DEEP SEA'S FLOOR...
DADRAT THESE STONES! MY FEET ARE SORE!
LOOK STRAIGHT AHEAD! A SHIP! GOSH! GEE! WRECKED ON THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA!
AT LAST WE'VE FOUND THE SEA QUEEN, BO! SHE MUST HAVE SUNK HERE LONG AGO!!
SEA QUEEN
LET'S CLIMB ABOARD!
YEAH! SEARCH HER HOLD! MEBBE WE'LL FIND A HOARD O' GOLD!
SAY, BUCK, THIS BOAT IS PLENTY SCARY!! SUPPOSE WE MEET SOME BAD SEA FAIRY!!
DON'T BE A SAP! YOU KNOW THERE'S NOT A LIVING SOUL IN THIS DEEP SPOT!
HEY! HERE'S THE HOLD! AND LOOK DOWN THERE! OLD CHESTS AND BOXES EVERYWHERE!
LET'S CLIMB DOWN QUICK! LOOK OUT! IT'S ROUGH!
A FORTUNE MAY BE IN THAT STUFF!

WE'LL OPEN THIS ONE FIRST...EH, PARD?
THE LOCKS ARE RUSTED OFF! PULL HARD!
IT'S FILLED WITH GOLD!! HOORAY! WHOOPEE!!
LISTEN! WHAT'S THAT STRANGE SOUND?
SH-H-H! WEEEEE!
A MONSTER FISH! WE'VE MET OUR DOOM!!
HE CAN'T GET DOWN HERE IN THIS ROOM!
HE CAN'T GET DOWN! WE CAN'T GET OUT! WE'RE TRAPPED HERE, BO, WITHOUT A DOUBT! IF THE WIND STOPS, THE WHEEL STOPS, TOO!! WE WON'T HAVE AIR!! WHAT WILL WE DO?
HE'LL EAT US UP IN ONE BIG BITE! WE'RE NO MATCH FOR HIS SIZE AND MIGHT!
AN' IF WE STAY DOWN HERE TOO LATE, OUR AIR MIGHT STOP! WE'LL SUFFOCATE!
I'VE GOT A SCHEME! THIS RUBBER BAND WILL MAKE TWO SLINGSHOTS! LEND A HAND!
WE'LL FIRE GOLD COINS AND STUN HIM, SEE? THEN MAYBE WE'LL HAVE TIME TO FLEE!

I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE THE DAY, WHEN I WOULD THROW REAL GOLD AWAY!
AIM STEADY, BO! NOW READY....
.... SHOOT!!
KEEP FIRING, BO! HE'S HIT!!
APHOOT!
HE'S DISAPPEARED! C'MON! CLIMB FAST!
I'M HUSTLIN'! HOPE OUR LUCK WILL LAST!
I'LL SAY I WILL! THIS AIN'T NO FUN!
WE'VE KNOCKED HIM OUT! QUICK BO, LET'S RUN!
SO FAR... SO GOOD... BUT I FEEL... QUEER!
I KNOW... I FEEL THE SAME! I FEAR... THE WIND'S DYING... THE PINWHEEL'S SLOWING....
.... MUST MAKE THE SHORE.... ... PLEASE, BO... KEEP GOING!


I... CAN'T... ...GO ON! I HOPE... ...THAT FISH...
SHH, BO! I THINK I HEAR HIM...
SWISHH
HE'S COMING, BO! A FEW STEPS MORE... ... AND WE'LL BE... SAFE... ... UPON THE SHORE!
THEY REACH DRY LAND... AND DOWN THEY DROP, JUST AS THE WHEEL COMES TO A STOP!
PULL OFF YOUR HELMET QUICKLY, BO! BREATHE SOME FRESH AIR! THEN WE CAN GO STILL FARTHER BACK UPON THE BEACH, 'WAY OUT OF THAT BIG FISH'S REACH!
RUN FAST! IF HE LEAPS ON THE SHORE, HE'LL CATCH US SURE!
...CAN'T RUN... .. MUCH MORE!
THE ANGRY FISH JUMPS FROM THE DEEP...
..HEADS FOR THE PINWHEEL IN ITS LEAP!

HE WRECKS THE DEEP-SEA DIVING PUMP...
... SPRAWLS IN THE WRECKAGE..
CRASH
KERPLUMP!
THE FRIGHTENED FISH MAKES ONE WILD DASH...
... LEAPS BACK INTO THE WATER..
SPLASH
HE'S GONE!! WE'RE SAFE!! BUT OUR FINE PUMP IS ONLY GOOD FOR THE TRASH DUMP!
IT SURE IS SMASHED BEYOND REPAIR! AN' THINK OF ALL THAT GOLD OUT THERE!
C'MON! WE'LL TELL THE FOLKS WE'VE SEEN THE TREASURE AND THE LOST SEA QUEEN!! THEN REAL DIVERS CAN RAID HER HOLD, AND BRING UP HER CARGO OF GOLD!!
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT, BUT IT GRIEVES ME TO LOSE THAT GOLD UNDER THE SEA!
LATER..
HERE'S SOME OF THE LOST GOLD, WE RESCUED FROM THE SEA QUEEN'S HOLD! IT'S YOUR REWARD, BUCKY AND BO! YOU FOUND THE SHIP AND ITS CARGO!
THANK YOU!
YESSIR! AN' I THANKEE! BUT NO MORE DEEP SEA DIVES FER ME!!

Walt Disney's

Daisy Duck and Minnie Mouse

MYTHOS ISLAND: CHAPTER 6

MENACE IN THE MIST

I TELL YA, LADY, I CAN'T SAIL TO THE ISLAND ON THIS MAP IS 'CAUSE IT DON'T EXIST!
DOESN'T EXIST? BUT I'M SURE THAT'S WHERE DONALD, SCROOGE AND THE BOYS WENT!
DAISY!!
BOAT FOR RENT
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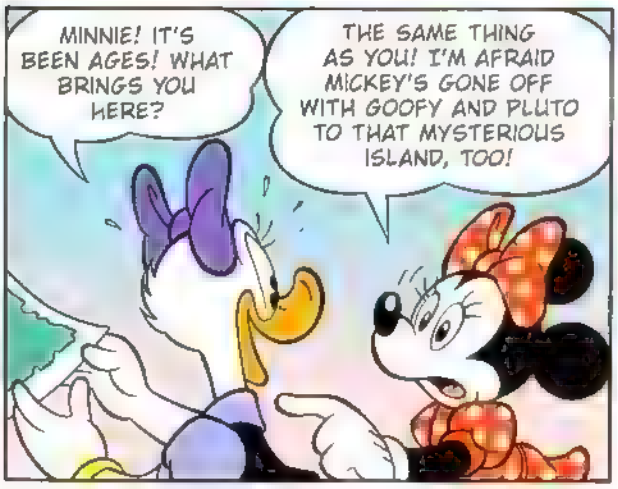
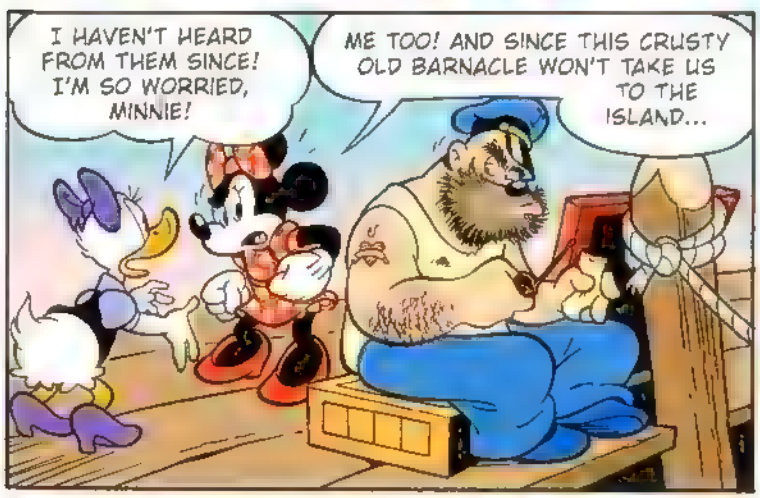
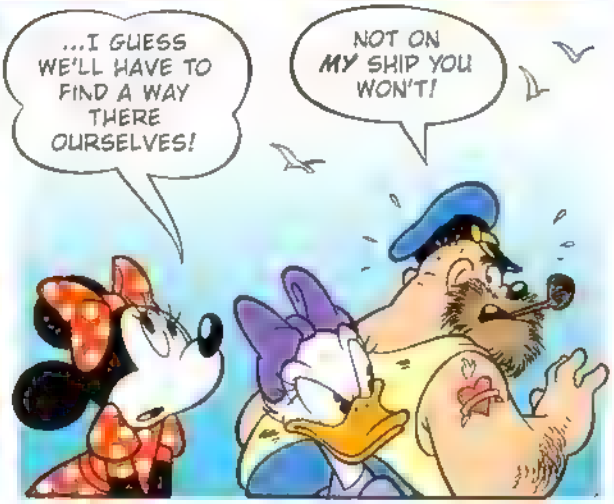
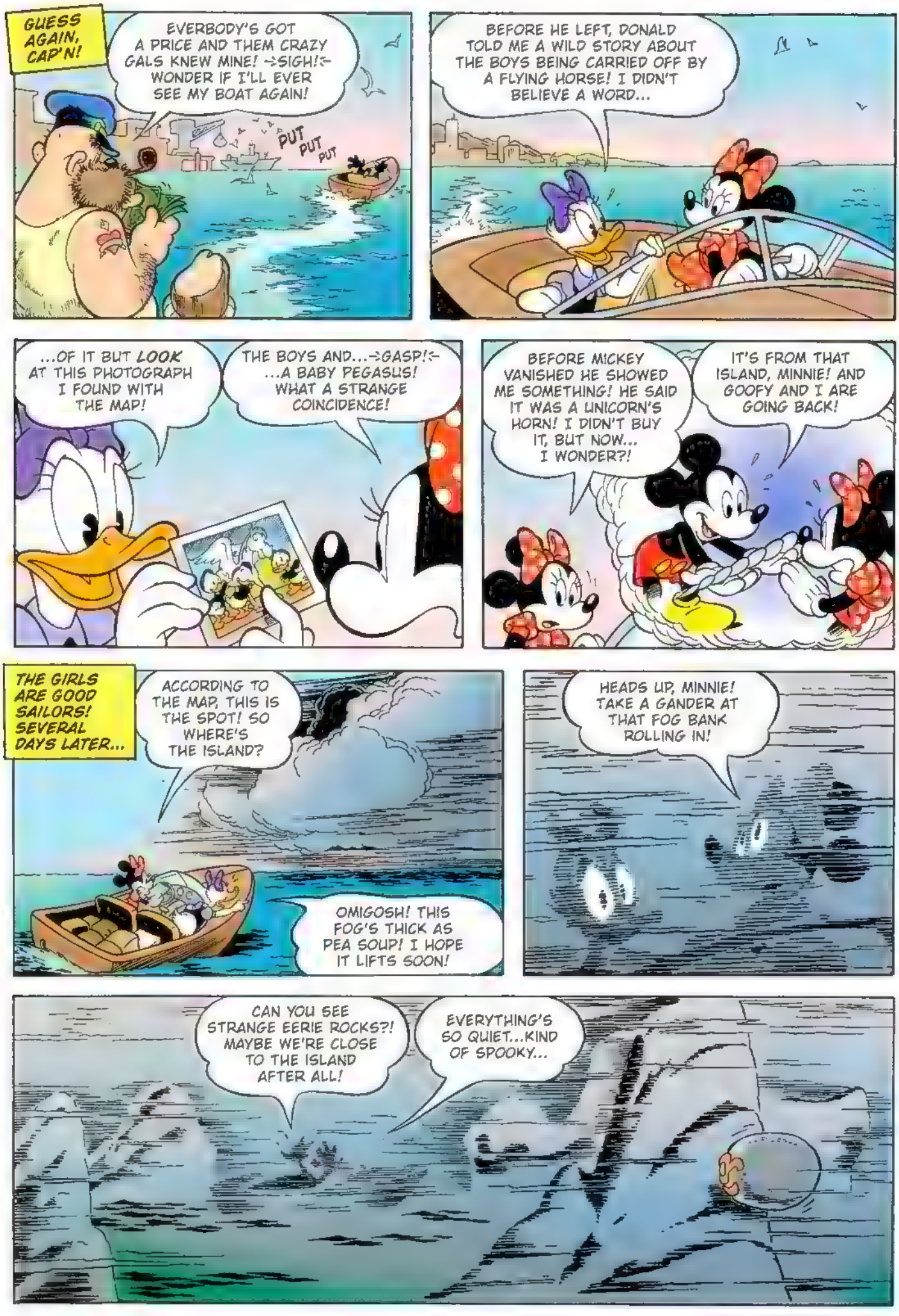
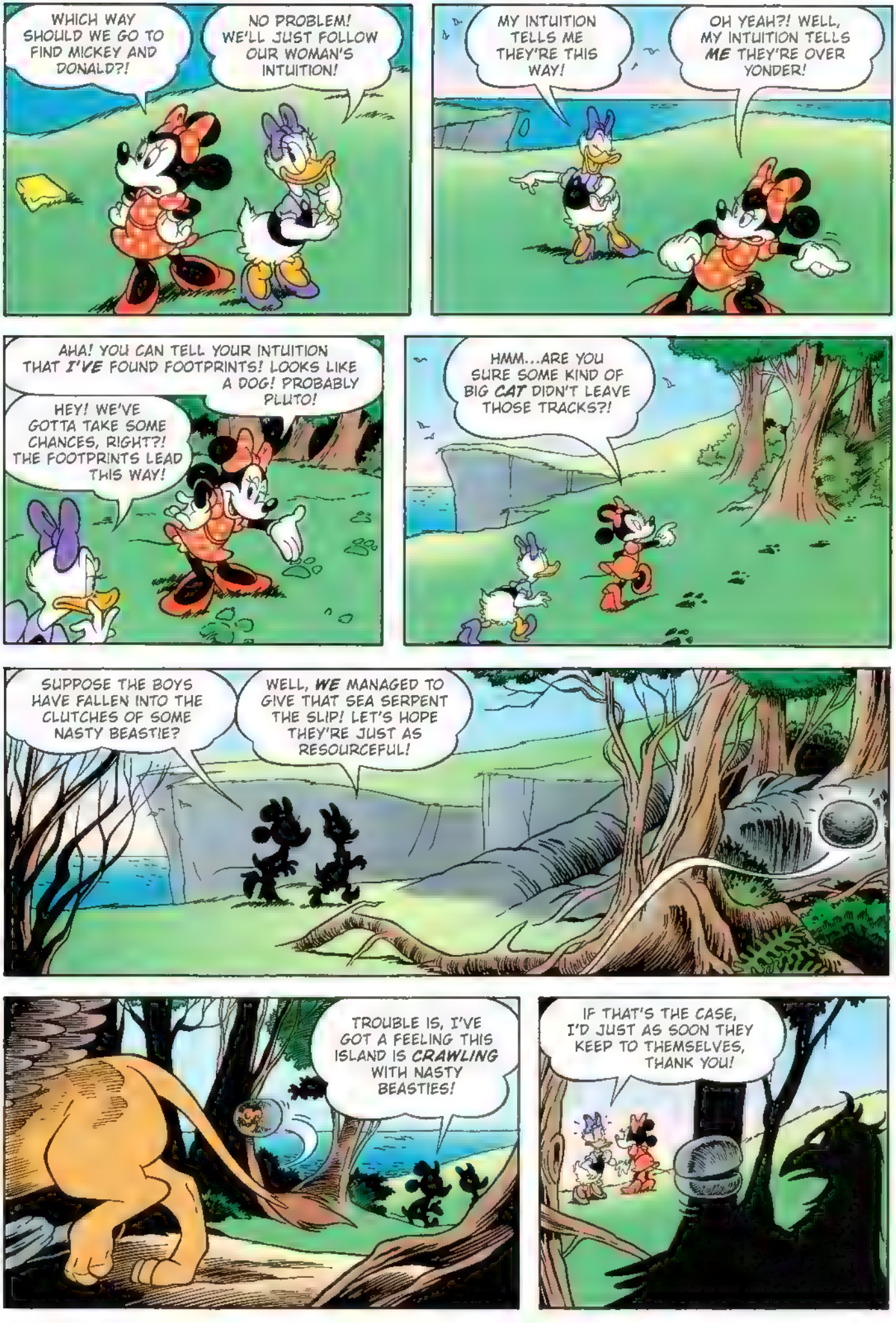

MINNIE! IT'S BEEN AGES! WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?
THE SAME THING AS YOU! I'M AFRAID MICKEY'S GONE OFF WITH GOOFY AND PLUTO TO THAT MYSTERIOUS ISLAND, TOO!





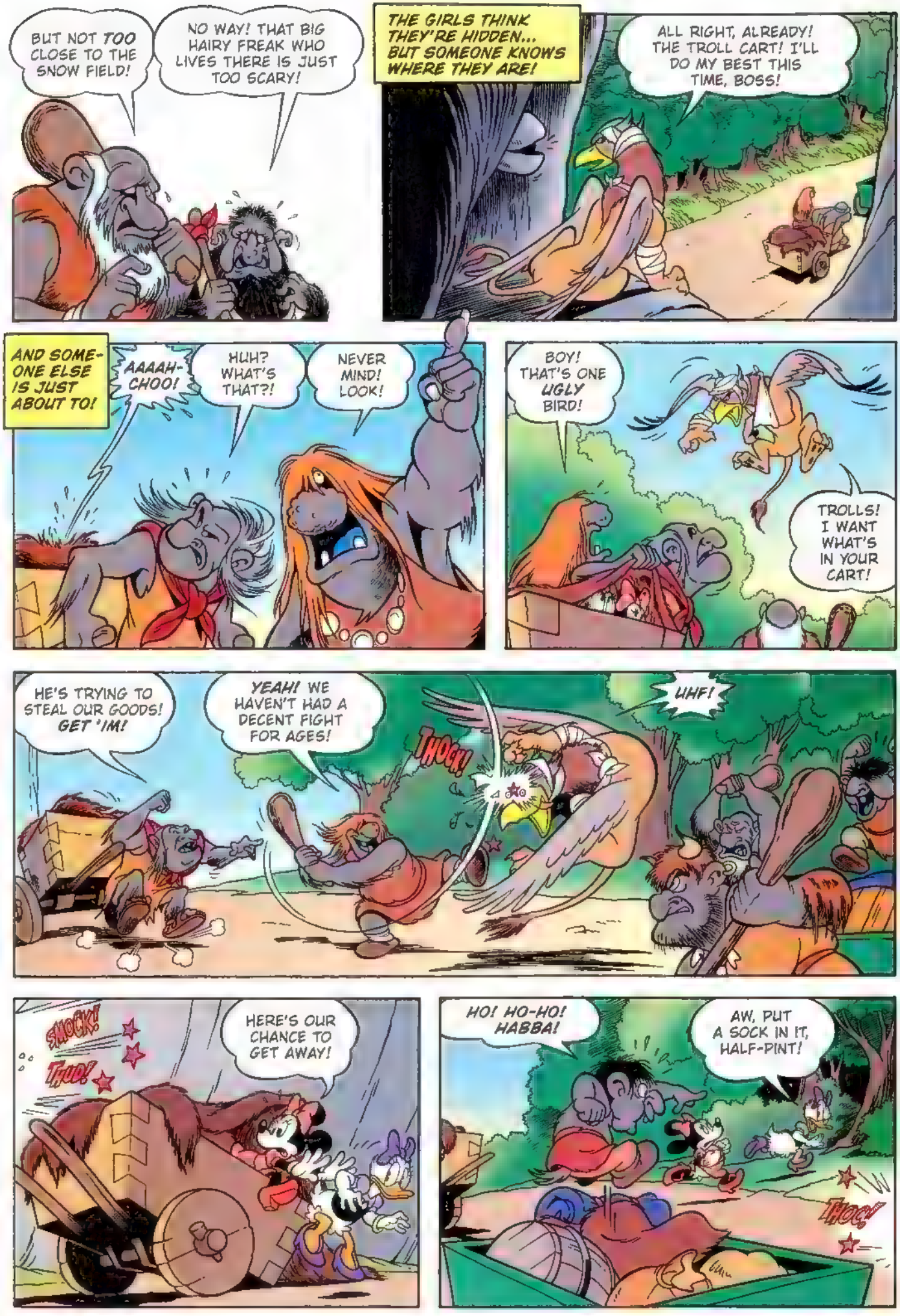

GUESS AGAIN, CAP'N!
EVERBODY'S GOT A PRICE AND THEM CRAZY GALS KNEW MINE! →SIGH!← WONDER IF I'LL EVER SEE MY BOAT AGAIN!
PUT PUT PUT
BEFORE HE LEFT, DONALD TOLD ME A WILD STORY ABOUT THE BOYS BEING CARRIED OFF BY A FLYING HORSE! I DIDN'T BELIEVE A WORD...
...OF IT BUT LOOK AT THIS PHOTOGRAPH I FOUND WITH THE MAP!
THE BOYS AND...→GASP!← ...A BABY PEGASUS! WHAT A STRANGE COINCIDENCE!
BEFORE MICKEY VANISHED HE SHOWED ME SOMETHING! HE SAID IT WAS A UNICORN'S HORN! I DIDN'T BUY IT, BUT NOW... I WONDER?!
IT'S FROM THAT ISLAND, MINNIE! AND GOOFY AND I ARE GOING BACK!
THE GIRLS ARE GOOD SAILORS! SEVERAL DAYS LATER...
ACCORDING TO THE MAP, THIS IS THE SPOT! SO WHERE'S THE ISLAND?
OMIGOSH! THIS FOG'S THICK AS PEA SOUP! I HOPE IT LIFTS SOON!
HEADS UP, MINNIE! TAKE A GANDER AT THAT FOG BANK ROLLING IN!
CAN YOU SEE STRANGE EERIE ROCKS?! MAYBE WE'RE CLOSE TO THE ISLAND AFTER ALL!
EVERYTHING'S SO QUIET...KIND OF SPOOKY...

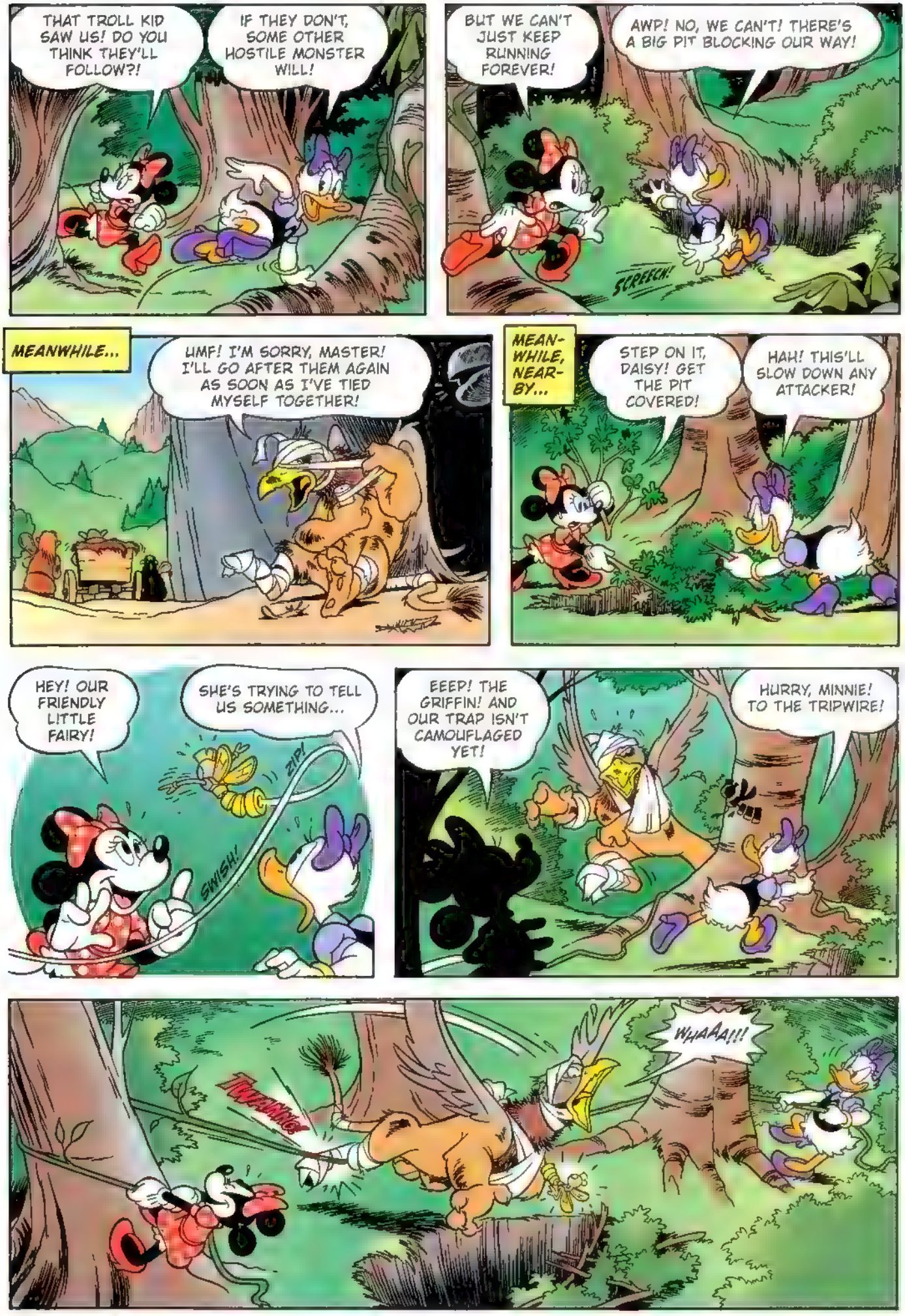
BRAAAARGH!!
HELP!
WAK!
A...A GIANT SEA SERPENT!
IT'S WRAPPING ITSELF AROUND THE BOAT!
OH, NO!!
SUDDENLY...
CRRACK...
HUH?!
HOLD ON, DAISY!
OOF!!
CRACK!
JUMP!
THAT COLLAPSING CLIFF SAVED OUR NECKS!
LET'S GET AWAY FROM THE COAST! IT'S TOO DANGEROUS!
CRASH!


WHICH WAY SHOULD WE GO TO FIND MICKEY AND DONALD?!
NO PROBLEM! WE'LL JUST FOLLOW OUR WOMAN'S INTUITION!
MY INTUITION TELLS ME THEY'RE THIS WAY!
OH YEAH?! WELL, MY INTUITION TELLS ME THEY'RE OVER YONDER!
AHA! YOU CAN TELL YOUR INTUITION THAT I'VE FOUND FOOTPRINTS! LOOKS LIKE A DOG! PROBABLY PLUTO!
HEY! WE'VE GOTTA TAKE SOME CHANCES, RIGHT?! THE FOOTPRINTS LEAD THIS WAY!
HMM...ARE YOU SURE SOME KIND OF BIG CAT DIDN'T LEAVE THOSE TRACKS?!
SUPPOSE THE BOYS HAVE FALLEN INTO THE CLUTCHES OF SOME NASTY BEASTIE?
WELL, WE MANAGED TO GIVE THAT SEA SERPENT THE SLIP! LET'S HOPE THEY'RE JUST AS RESOURCEFUL!
TROUBLE IS, I'VE GOT A FEELING THIS ISLAND IS CRAWLING WITH NASTY BEASTIES!
IF THAT'S THE CASE, I'D JUST AS SOON THEY KEEP TO THEMSELVES, THANK YOU!

RROOAR!!
EEEKAROONIE! A GRIFFIN!
THERE'S YOUR "PLUTO", MINNIE! RUN!!
OH, NO! A SHEER ROCK WALL! WE CAN'T CLIMB IT! CUT TO THE RIGHT!
DAISY! STOP! DON'T PUSH!
-:GULP!:- END OF THE LINE!
THE GRIFFIN'S GOT US CORNERED!
SWISH!
YOW! WHAT'S THAT?!
A TINY, MECHANICAL, AIRBORNE FAIRY!
ZZIP!
SHE'S POINTING OUT A CRACK IN THE CLIFF WALL! WE CAN ESCAPE!
RROOAR!!
MY, MY! THE BIG GALOOT DOESN'T LIKE IT ONE LITTLE BIT!
AND I BET HE'S NOT GOING TO LIKE THIS EITHER!
UHF!
THONK!

RUMBLE!
OR THAT!
A ROCK SLIDE! QUICK! THROUGH THE CRACK!
HURGH!
HURRY, DAISY!
I'M TRYING, BUT IT'S... NGH...A TIGHT SQUEEZE!
WHEN WE GET HOME, I HAVE A WONDERFUL DIET PLAN YOU CAN-
JUST SHUT UP AND PUSH! BUT NOT TOO...
-GASP!-
...HARD!!
UHF!
CHOFF!
CHOFF!
CLACK!
SHAKE A LEG, BOYS! THIS END OF THE ISLAND IS FALLING APART, TOO!
PHEW! THESE PELTS STINK BUT AT LEAST THEY CUSHIONED OUR FALL!
-GULP!- KEEP YOUR HEAD AND YOUR VOICE DOWN, DAISY!
I...I THINK WE'RE AMONG *TROLLS!*
I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE IT! OUR HOME ON THE TROLL MOUNTAIN CRUMBLED LIKE A WEEK-OLD COOKIE!
WE'LL FIND A NEW PLACE ON THE HIGH PLATEAU!

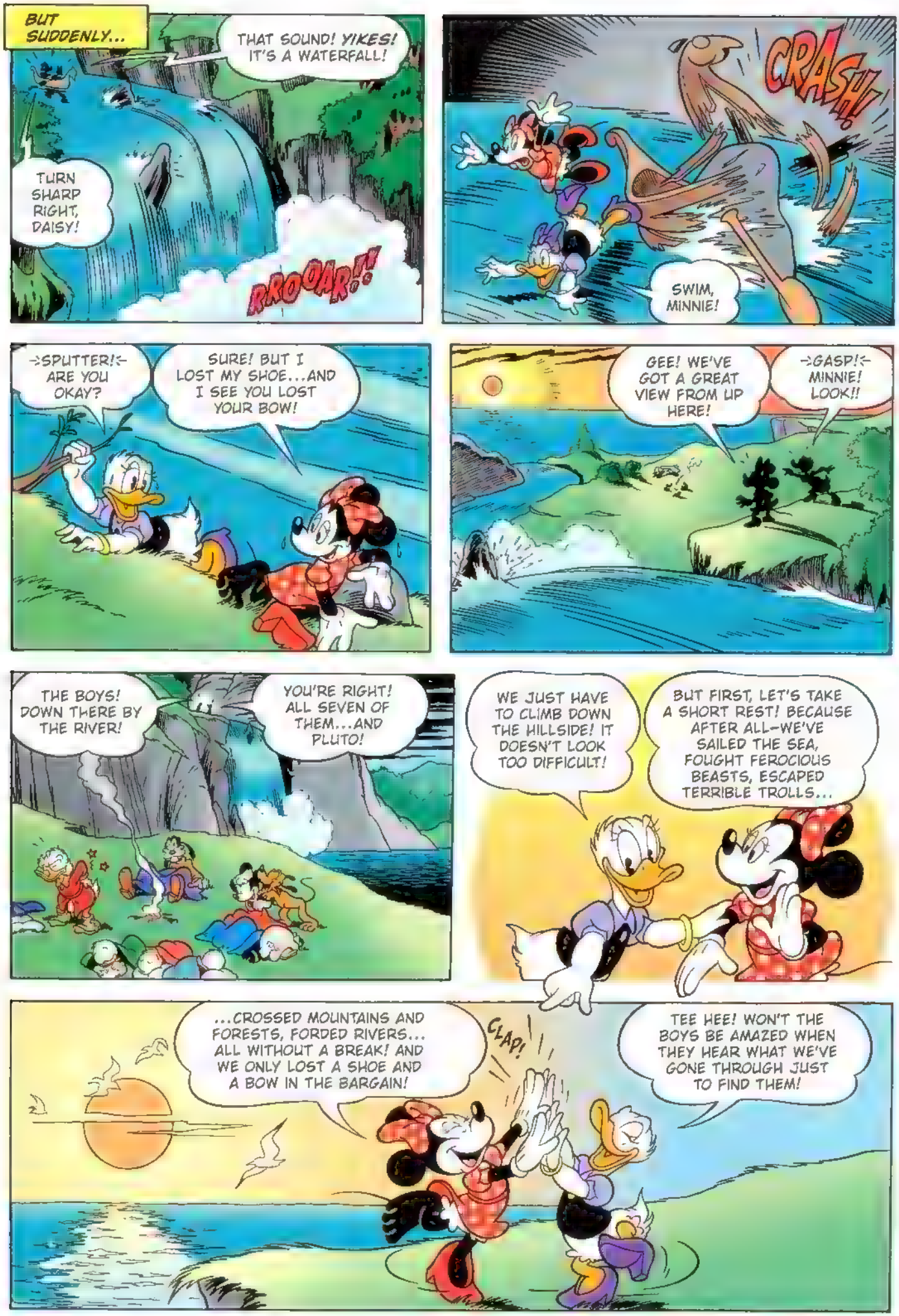

BUT NOT TOO CLOSE TO THE SNOW FIELD!
NO WAY! THAT BIG HAIRY FREAK WHO LIVES THERE IS JUST TOO SCARY!
THE GIRLS THINK THEY'RE HIDDEN... BUT SOMEONE KNOWS WHERE THEY ARE!
ALL RIGHT, ALREADY! THE TROLL CART! I'LL DO MY BEST THIS TIME, BOSS!
AND SOME-ONE ELSE IS JUST ABOUT TO!
AAAAH-CHOO!
HUH? WHAT'S THAT?!
NEVER MIND! LOOK!
BOY! THAT'S ONE UGLY BIRD!
TROLLS! I WANT WHAT'S IN YOUR CART!
HE'S TRYING TO STEAL OUR GOODS! GET 'IM!
YEAH! WE HAVEN'T HAD A DECENT FIGHT FOR AGES!
THOCK!
UHF!
SHOCK!
THUD!
HERE'S OUR CHANCE TO GET AWAY!
HO! HO-HO! HABBA!
AW, PUT A SOCK IN IT, HALF-PINT!
THOCK!


THAT TROLL KID SAW US! DO YOU THINK THEY'LL FOLLOW?!
IF THEY DON'T, SOME OTHER HOSTILE MONSTER WILL!
BUT WE CAN'T JUST KEEP RUNNING FOREVER!
AWP! NO, WE CAN'T! THERE'S A BIG PIT BLOCKING OUR WAY!
SCREECH!
MEANWHILE...
UMF! I'M SORRY, MASTER! I'LL GO AFTER THEM AGAIN AS SOON AS I'VE TIED MYSELF TOGETHER!
MEAN-WHILE, NEAR-BY...
STEP ON IT, DAISY! GET THE PIT COVERED!
HAH! THIS'LL SLOW DOWN ANY ATTACKER!
HEY! OUR FRIENDLY LITTLE FAIRY!
SHE'S TRYING TO TELL US SOMETHING...
ZIP!
SWISH!
EEEP! THE GRIFFIN! AND OUR TRAP ISN'T CAMOUFLAGED YET!
HURRY, MINNIE! TO THE TRIPWIRE!
TWANNNG!
WHAAA!!!

HOW ABOUT THAT?!
IT WORKED!
THONK!
OH NO! THE GRIFFIN LANDED ON TOP OF OUR LITTLE FRIEND!
WE'D BETTER HAUL THEM BOTH UP!
SHORTLY...
PLEASE...GO EASY ON ME! I'VE GOT NOTHING AGAINST YOU! I WAS ONLY FOLLOWING ORDERS!
WHOSE ORDERS?!
DAISY! HAVE YOU GOT A HAIRPIN?!
BWAAH! HE'LL BE FURIOUS IF I TELL YOU! BOO HOO HOO! I'VE HAD ENOUGH! I'M LEAVING!
OH, DEAR!
IT'S SORT OF LIKE FIXING MY OLD ALARM CLOCK...
'SCUSE ME! I'VE GOTTA BE...BE... SOMEWHERE! ADIOS!
DAISY! THE MECHANICAL FAIRY IS AWAKE!
SHE PROBABLY FLIES ALL OVER THE ISLAND! MAYBE SHE KNOWS WHERE THE BOYS ARE!
CAN YOU HELP US?!
GOODNESS! SHE SEEMS TO UNDERSTAND WHAT WE'RE SAYING!
ZIIP!

LATER...
=PUFF! PANT!= SHE KEEPS LEADING US UPHILL! IS THIS THE WAY TO MICKEY AND DONALD?!
BUT WE CAN'T EVEN BE SURE...=PUFF!= ...THAT SHE'S TAKING US TO THEM, CAN WE?
IT'S GETTING DARK! BUT LOOK! SHE'S BEGINNING TO GLOW!
LATER STILL...
WE'VE BEEN CLIMBING FOR HOURS! I'M EXHAUSTED!
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE NEAR THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN!
WH-WHAT IS THIS PLACE?!
I-I DON'T BELIEVE IT! A DRAGON! CENTAURS! UNICORNS! ALL KINDS OF MYTHOLOGICAL CREATURES!
EVEN THE TROLLS! AND THE GRIFFIN!
OH! AIRY, MY LITTLE FLYING FRIEND! THERE YOU ARE!

WHAT?! THE "OUTSIDERS" ARE HERE?! WELL DONE!
YES! THERE THEY ARE! FRIENDS, BRING THEM TO ME!
THE LITTLE FAIRY... SHE'S BETRAYED US!!
DON'T LET THEM GET AWAY!
THAT MYSTERIOUS CHARACTER... IS HE IN CHARGE OF ALL THESE CREATURES?!
THE CANOE! IT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE, MINNIE!
A RIVER! FLOWING OUT OF THE POND! TAKE IT!!
ANYBODY AFTER US?!
I DON'T KNOW, DAISY...
...I'M TOO SCARED TO LOOK!
HASTY MOMENTS LATER...
THE RIVER'S RUNNING CALMER! DAY IS BREAKING!
AND THE COAST IS CLEAR!


BUT SUDDENLY...
THAT SOUND! YIKES! IT'S A WATERFALL!
TURN SHARP RIGHT, DAISY!
RROOAR!!
CRASH!
SWIM, MINNIE!
-SPUTTER!- ARE YOU OKAY?
SURE! BUT I LOST MY SHOE...AND I SEE YOU LOST YOUR BOW!
GEE! WE'VE GOT A GREAT VIEW FROM UP HERE!
-GASP!- MINNIE! LOOK!!
THE BOYS! DOWN THERE BY THE RIVER!
YOU'RE RIGHT! ALL SEVEN OF THEM...AND PLUTO!
WE JUST HAVE TO CLIMB DOWN THE HILLSIDE! IT DOESN'T LOOK TOO DIFFICULT!
BUT FIRST, LET'S TAKE A SHORT REST! BECAUSE AFTER ALL-WE'VE SAILED THE SEA, FOUGHT FEROCIOUS BEASTS, ESCAPED TERRIBLE TROLLS...
...CROSSED MOUNTAINS AND FORESTS, FORDED RIVERS... ALL WITHOUT A BREAK! AND WE ONLY LOST A SHOE AND A BOW IN THE BARGAIN!
CLAP!
TEE HEE! WON'T THE BOYS BE AMAZED WHEN THEY HEAR WHAT WE'VE GONE THROUGH JUST TO FIND THEM!

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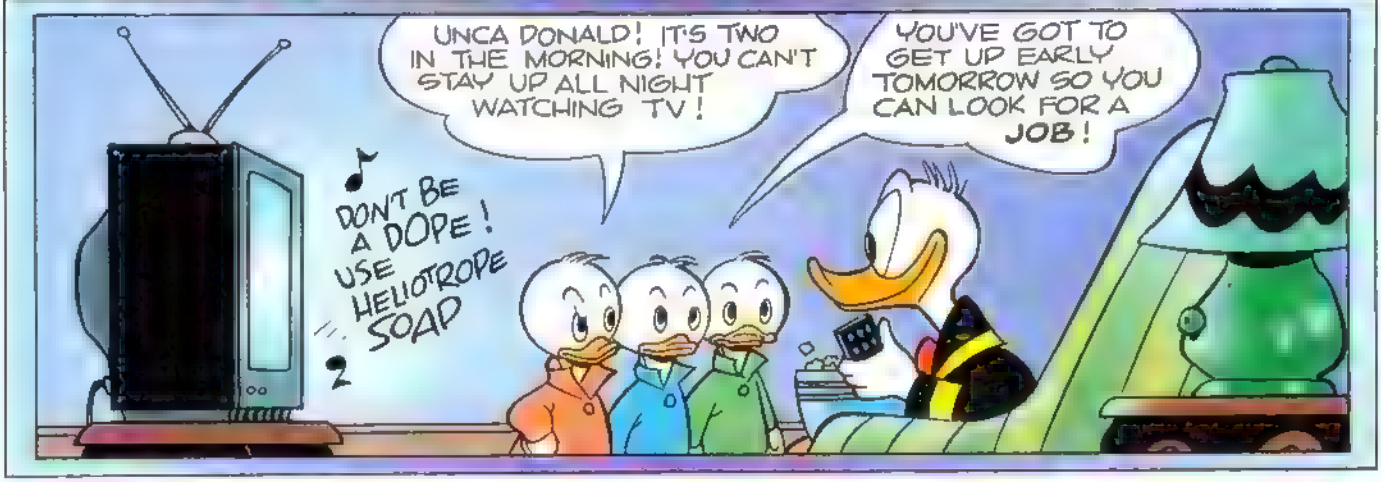
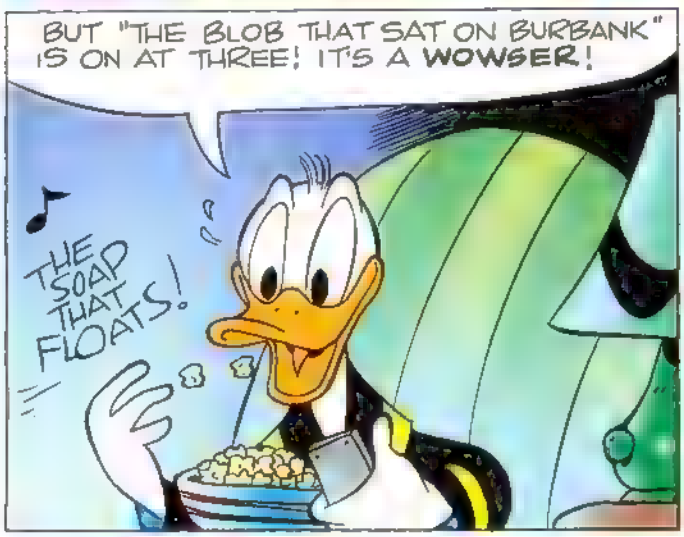
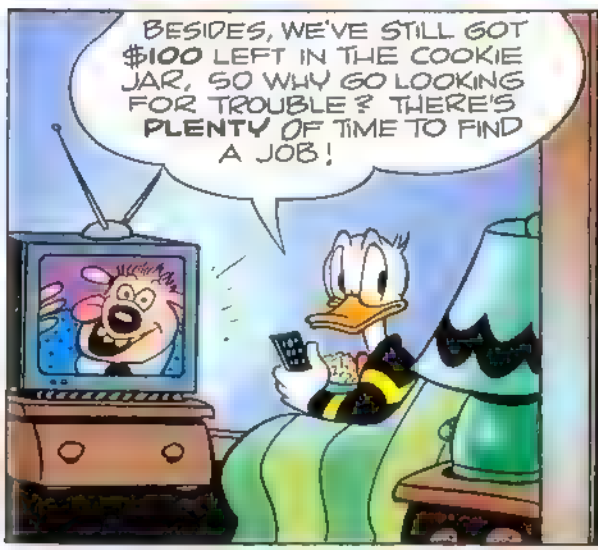
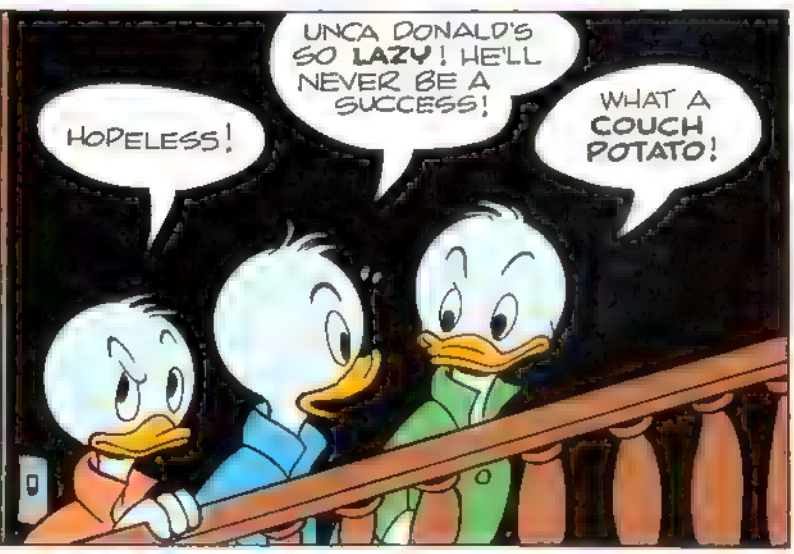
DONALD DUCK

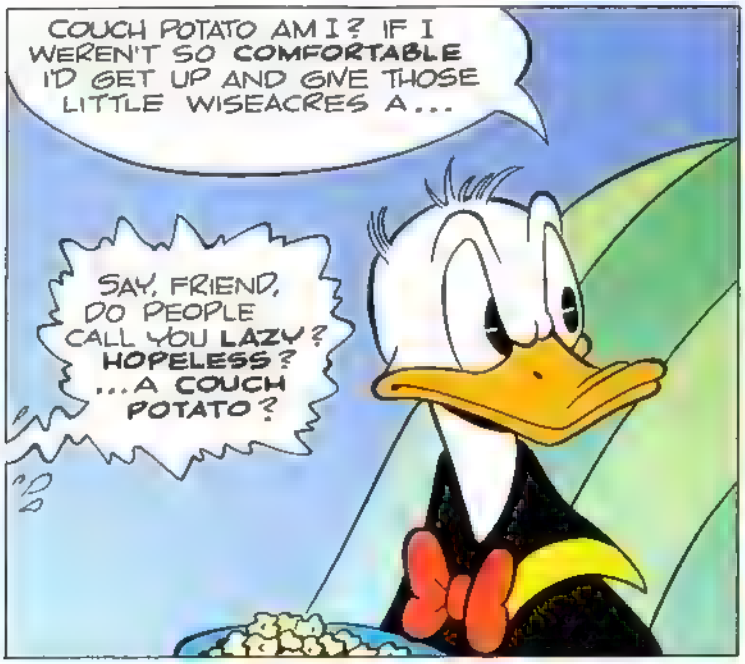
THAT OL' SOFT SOAP

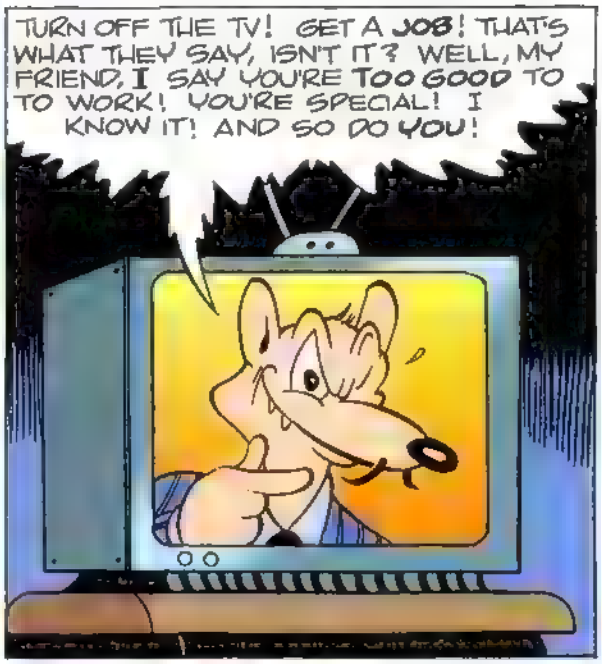

UNCA DONALD! IT'S TWO IN THE MORNING! YOU CAN'T STAY UP ALL NIGHT WATCHING TV!
YOU'VE GOT TO GET UP EARLY TOMORROW SO YOU CAN LOOK FOR A JOB!
DON'T BE A DOPE! USE HELIOTROPE SOAP



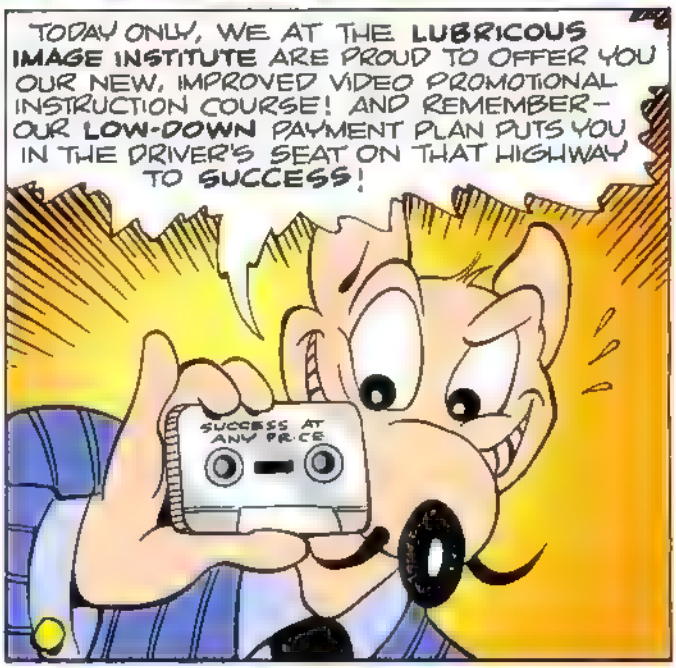


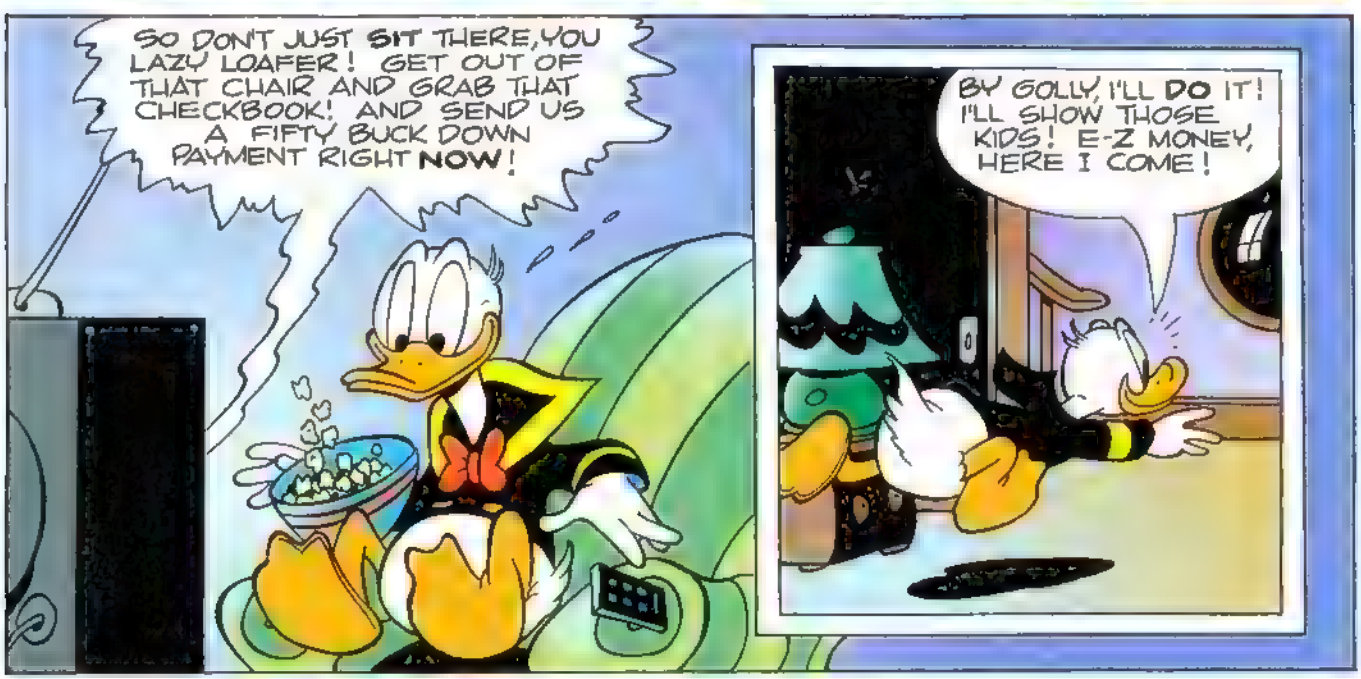



COUCH POTATO AM I? IF I WEREN'T SO COMFORTABLE I'D GET UP AND GIVE THOSE LITTLE WISEACRES A...
SAY, FRIEND, DO PEOPLE CALL YOU LAZY? HOPELESS? ...A COUCH POTATO?


TURN OFF THE TV! GET A JOB! THAT'S WHAT THEY SAY, ISN'T IT? WELL, MY FRIEND, I SAY YOU'RE TOO GOOD TO TO WORK! YOU'RE SPECIAL! I KNOW IT! AND SO DO YOU!

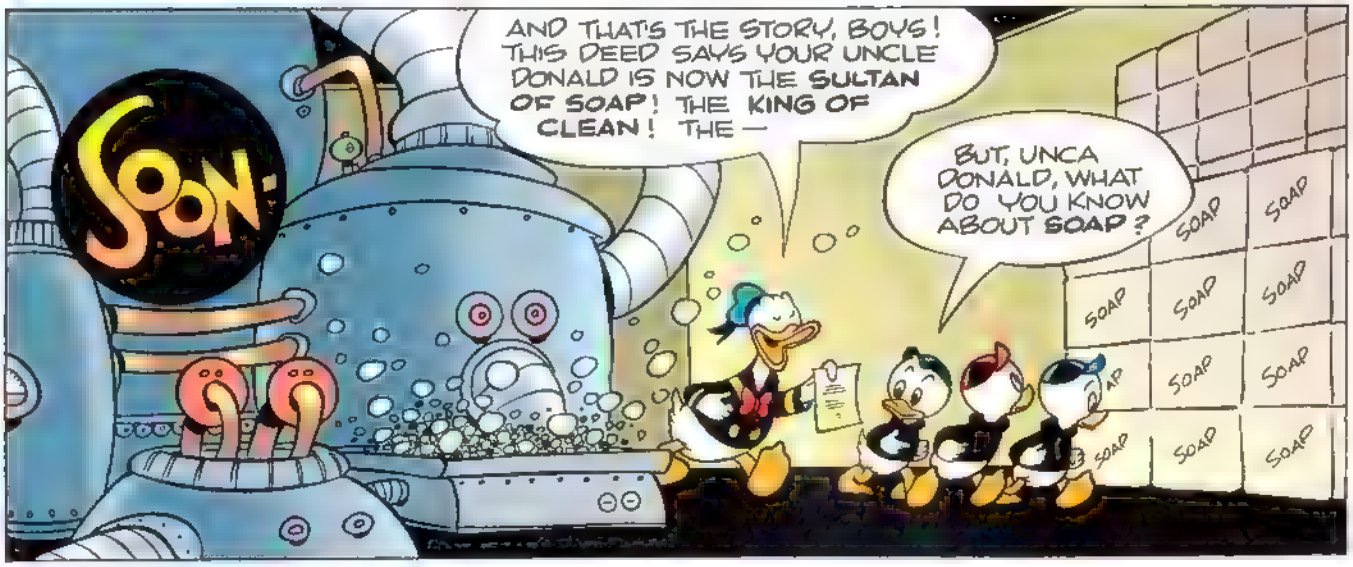
WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A DING-DONG MILLIONAIRE THE QUICK E-Z WAY? OF COURSE YOU WOULD! HARD WORK IS OLD HAT! NOWADAYS ALL YOU NEED IS IMAGE! AND WHAT'S THE SECRET OF POSITIVE IMAGE ENHANCEMENT?
ADVERTISING! PROMOTION! THAT OL' SOFT SOAP!

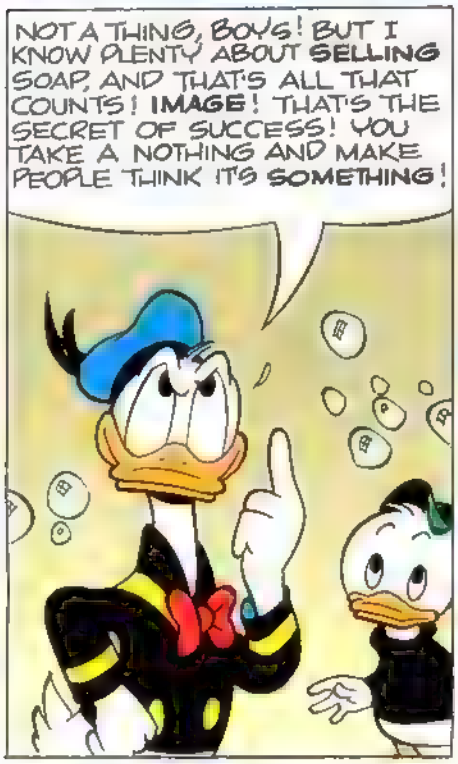

TODAY ONLY, WE AT THE LUBRICOUS IMAGE INSTITUTE ARE PROUD TO OFFER YOU OUR NEW, IMPROVED VIDEO PROMOTIONAL INSTRUCTION COURSE! AND REMEMBER— OUR LOW-DOWN PAYMENT PLAN PUTS YOU IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT ON THAT HIGHWAY TO SUCCESS!
SUCCESS AT ANY PRICE

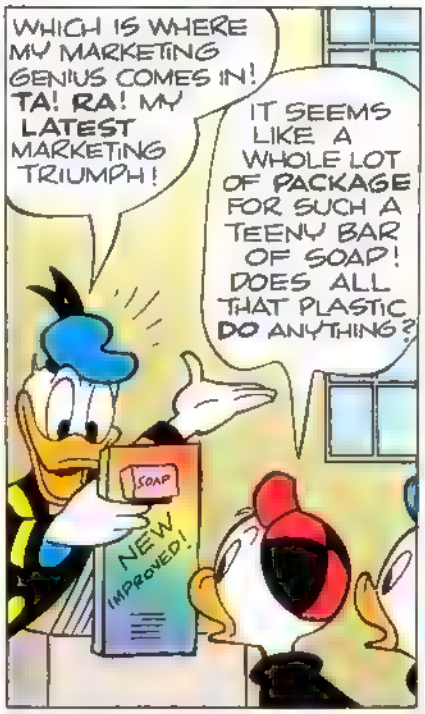

SO DON'T JUST SIT THERE, YOU LAZY LOAFER! GET OUT OF THAT CHAIR AND GRAB THAT CHECKBOOK! AND SEND US A FIFTY BUCK DOWN PAYMENT RIGHT NOW!
BY GOLLY, I'LL DO IT! I'LL SHOW THOSE KIDS! E-Z MONEY, HERE I COME!

MANY DOLLARS LATER...
BUT I'M TELLING YOU, UNCLE SCROOGE, YOUR SOAP COMPANY NEEDS A HOT-SHOT ADVERTISING GENIUS LIKE ME! A FULLY QUALIFIED MARKETEER LIKE ME CAN MAKE YOU RICH!
I'M ALREADY RICH! AND I DID IT WITH HARD WORK, NOT GOOFY GIMMICKS!
OH, YEAH? TELL IT TO THIS SALES CHART! YOUR SCROOGE SOAP IS SELLING TWO PERCENT LESS THAN LAST QUARTER! THAT PROVES YOUR SALES TECHNIQUES ARE IN THE TAR PITS! YOU NEED ME TO PUMP SALES... EMPOWER YOUR PRODUCT... BOLSTER YOUR BOTTOM—
SCROOGE SOAP C
SALES CHART.
BAH! CUT THE BALONEY, DONALD! I HAVEN'T LOST A DIME ON MY SOAP IN 50 YEARS! AND DO YOU KNOW WHY? BECAUSE I MAKE A GOOD HONEST SOAP AT A FAIR PRICE! NO FRILLS!
THAT'S WHAT I MEAN! YOU'RE OLD FASHIONED! JUST LOOK AT YOUR LABEL! "SCROOGE'S PLAIN OL' SOAP! IT CLEANS!"
SCROOGE PLAIN OL' SOAP
WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?
IT'S STRICTLY STONE-AGE! WHAT MORON DESIGNED IT?
I DID! 50 YEARS AGO WHEN I STARTED THE COMPANY! IT WAS GOOD ENOUGH THEN AND IT'S GOOD ENOUGH NOW! FANCY LABELS COST MONEY! MY PRODUCT SELLS ITSELF!
PHOOEY! THAT'S DARK AGES THINKING! YOU NEED A HIGH-VOLTAGE MARKETING MAVEN LIKE ME TO PUT YOU STRAIGHT!
OKAY, BRIGHT BOY! SHOW ME! BUT FIRST GET YOUR OWN SOAP COMPANY! UNTIL THEN—HIT THE BRICKS!
WHOMP

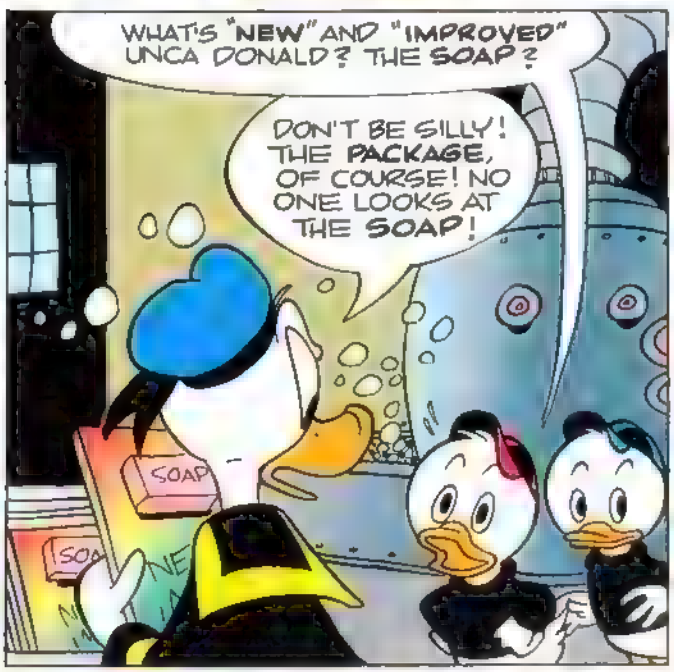
THAT MODEL-T MISER! IF I HAD MY OWN SOAP FACTORY I'D SHOW HIM! WITH MY MARKETING GENIUS I'D —
CLONK
DEED
OH, GREAT! NOW MY DAY IS COMPLETE! GLADSTONE GANDER! THE LUCKIEST DUCK ON EARTH!
SIGH! THAT'S THE PROBLEM! I'M TOO LUCKY! I JUST WON THE DUCKBURG BANKRUPTCY LOTTERY! I'M STUCK WITH A DUSTY OLD SOAP FACTORY WHEN WHAT I REALLY NEED IS FIFTY BUCKS FOR A NIFTY NEW HAT!
DEED
SO? YOU'VE GOT MONEY! BUY THE HAT!
DON'T BE SILLY! WITH MY LUCK I NEVER BUY ANYTHING! I SUPPOSE I COULD SELL THE FACTORY, BUT THAT SEEMS TOO MUCH LIKE WORK!
WHAT A NOBLE EXAMPLE OF FEDORAHOOD! I'D TRADE THAT OLD SOAP FACTORY IN A MINUTE FOR A HAT LIKE THAT!
CHAP!
OH, GLADSTONE!
AND SO...
GEE, I WONDER WHAT'S THE BIG SURPRISE UNCA DONALD WANTS TO SHOW US?
MAYBE HE GOT A JOB!
THAT WOULD BE A SURPRISE!
DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP
UH, OH!

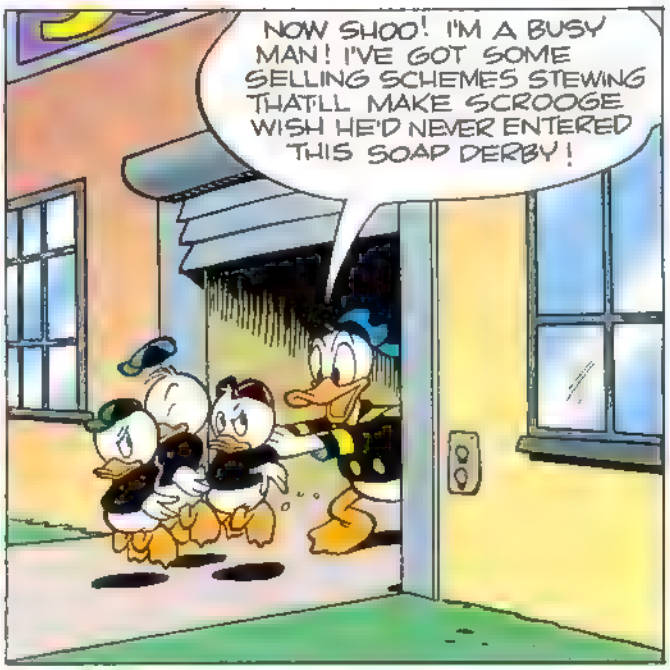

SOON
AND THAT'S THE STORY, BOYS! THIS DEED SAYS YOUR UNCLE DONALD IS NOW THE SULTAN OF SOAP! THE KING OF CLEAN! THE —
BUT, UNCA DONALD, WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT SOAP?
SOAP

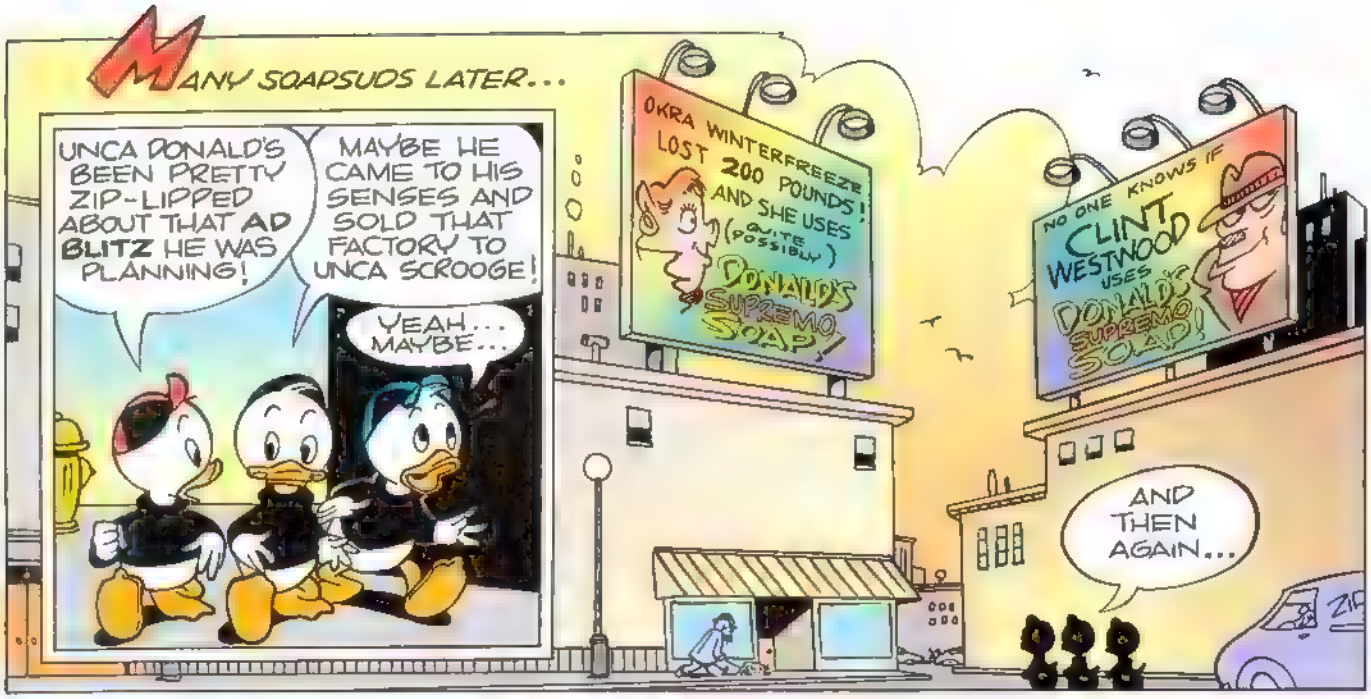

NOT A THING, BOYS! BUT I KNOW PLENTY ABOUT SELLING SOAP, AND THAT'S ALL THAT COUNTS! IMAGE! THAT'S THE SECRET OF SUCCESS! YOU TAKE A NOTHING AND MAKE PEOPLE THINK IT'S SOMETHING!


WHICH IS WHERE MY MARKETING GENIUS COMES IN! TA! RA! MY LATEST MARKETING TRIUMPH!
IT SEEMS LIKE A WHOLE LOT OF PACKAGE FOR SUCH A TEENY BAR OF SOAP! DOES ALL THAT PLASTIC DO ANYTHING?
SOAP
NEW IMPROVED!

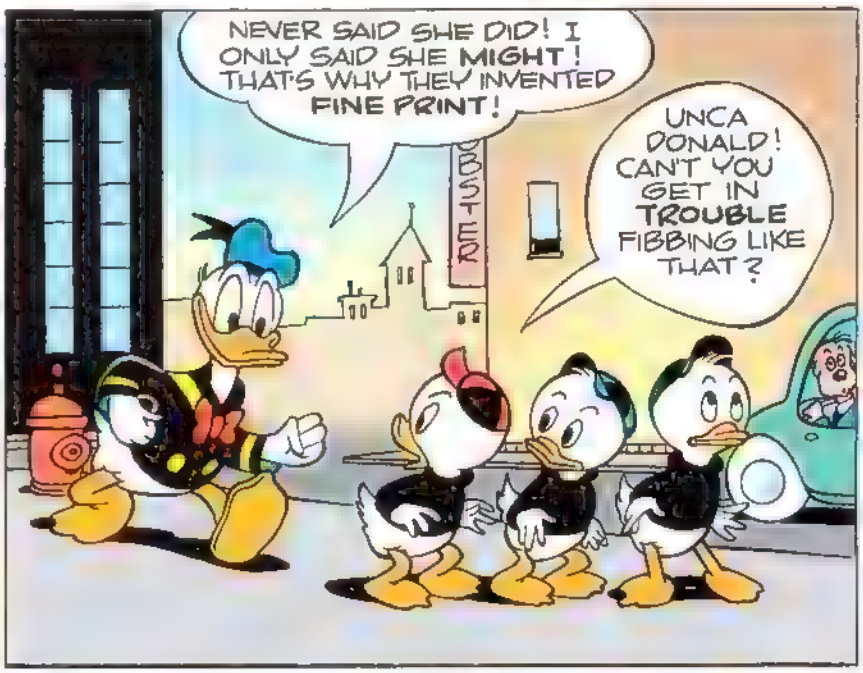
DO? I'LL SAY! IT MAKES ME MONEY! LOOK AT THE WAY IT STANDS UP AND SAYS "BUY ME!"
SOAP
NEW IMPROVED!

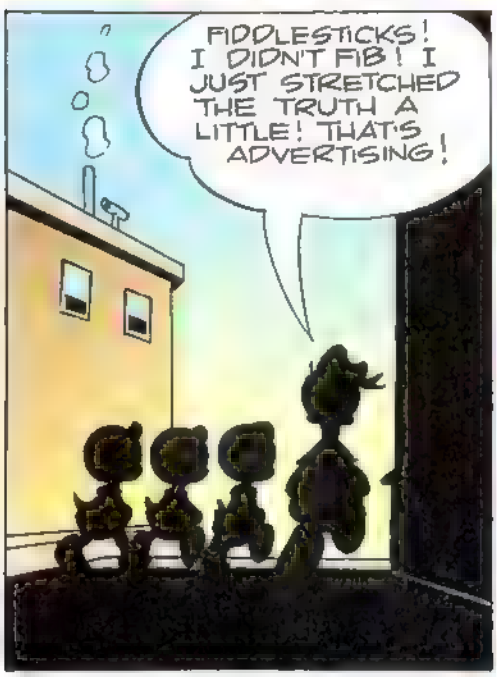

WHAT'S "NEW" AND "IMPROVED" UNCA DONALD? THE SOAP?
DON'T BE SILLY! THE PACKAGE, OF COURSE! NO ONE LOOKS AT THE SOAP!
SOAP

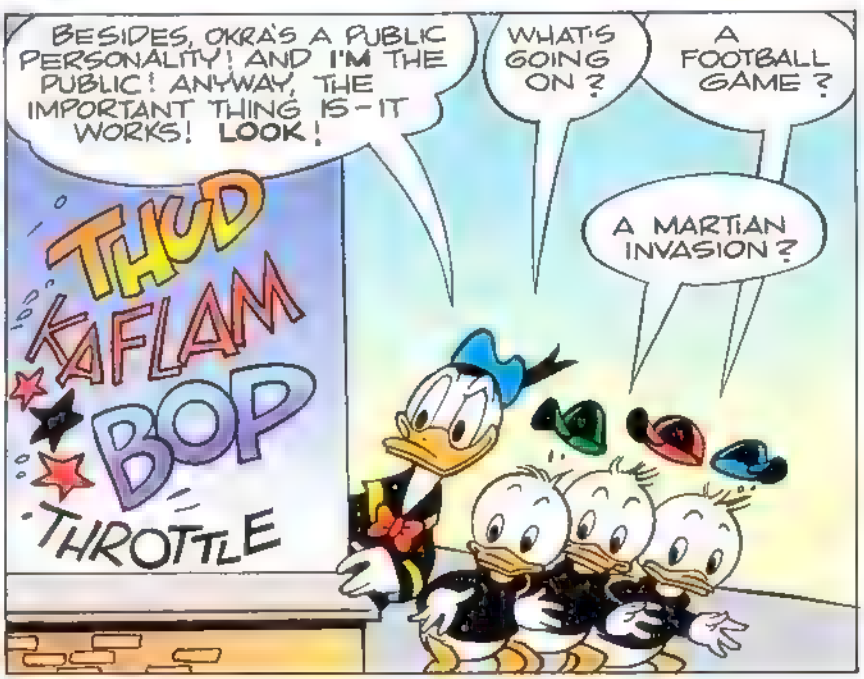

NOW SHOO! I'M A BUSY MAN! I'VE GOT SOME SELLING SCHEMES STEWING THAT'LL MAKE SCROOGE WISH HE'D NEVER ENTERED THIS SOAP DERBY!


MANY SOAPSUDS LATER...
UNCA DONALD'S BEEN PRETTY ZIP-LIPPED ABOUT THAT AD BLITZ HE WAS PLANNING!
MAYBE HE CAME TO HIS SENSES AND SOLD THAT FACTORY TO UNCA SCROOGE!
YEAH... MAYBE...
OKRA WINTERFREEZE LOST 200 POUNDS! AND SHE USES (QUITE POSSIBLY) DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP!
NO ONE KNOWS IF CLINT WESTWOOD USES DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP!
AND THEN AGAIN...

GEE! I DIDN'T KNOW OKRA USES UNCA DONALD'S SOAP!


NEVER SAID SHE DID! I ONLY SAID SHE MIGHT! THAT'S WHY THEY INVENTED FINE PRINT!
UNCA DONALD! CAN'T YOU GET IN TROUBLE FIBBING LIKE THAT?
BUSTER


FIDDLESTICKS! I DIDN'T FIB! I JUST STRETCHED THE TRUTH A LITTLE! THAT'S ADVERTISING!


BESIDES, OKRA'S A PUBLIC PERSONALITY! AND I'M THE PUBLIC! ANYWAY, THE IMPORTANT THING IS - IT WORKS! LOOK!
THUD
KAFLAM
BOP
THROTTLE
WHAT'S GOING ON?
A FOOTBALL GAME?
A MARTIAN INVASION?

BETTER THAN THAT, BOYS! IT'S A WOWSER OF A SOAP SALE!
MARKET
IT SHOULD BE! I STUCK A BUCK IN EACH BAR TO SOUP UP INTEREST IN MY SOAP! NOW THE SHELVES WON'T STAY STOCKED!
BOY! YOUR SUPREMO SOAP IS SURE POPULAR!
SOAP
DONALD'S SOAP
COME TO MOMMA, YOU SLIPPERY LITTLE DEVIL!
MINE! MINE!
BAM
BOP
IF THAT'S WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE A GROWN-UP, I'M GLAD WE'RE KIDS!

LATER
SO WHAT IF WE HAVEN'T SOLD A BAR IN WEEKS! KEEP 'EM COMING! WE'LL WAREHOUSE THE STUFF!
SOAP SALES
POOR UNCA SCROOGE! HIS SOAP WAREHOUSE IS ALMOST FULL!
EVERYONE'S BUYING DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP BECAUSE IT'S FANCIER!
UNCA DONALD'S CLEANING UP WITH IT!
Mc DUCK SOAP WAREHOUSE
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME, LADS! LET DONALD HAVE HIS FUN! I CAN AFFORD TO WAIT! FANCY GIMMICKS FOOL FOLKS FOR AWHILE, BUT IN THE LONG RUN, SUBSTANCE WINS OVER STYLE! I'VE BUILT MANY A GOOD BUSINESS USING THAT RULE!
SLOW AND STEADY WINS THE RACE
PROVIDE A GOOD PRODUCT AT A GOOD PRICE AND YOU'LL NEVER GO WRONG!
TAKE A GANDER AT THAT, BOYS! SALES ARE UP ANOTHER 5000 PERCENT! AND THAT'S JUST SINCE NOON!
BUT ISN'T ALL OF THAT ADVERTISING GIMMICKRY EXPENSIVE? YOU CHANGE SOAP LABELS EVERY HOUR!
MAYBE SO, BUT TRY CONVINCING DONALD...
DONALD'S SUPREMO • SOAP • INTERNATIONAL
DONALD'S SOAP
DONALD'S SOAP

NEWER IS BETTER, BOYS! ANYWAY, I SAVED A BUNDLE BY MAKING THE SOAP SMALLER! I CALL IT SOAPLITE! IT CONTAINS LESS FAT AND LYE!
LESS FAT AND LYE?
BUT UNCA DONALD, THAT'S THE STUFF THAT MAKES SOAP WORK!
UNCA SCROOGE ALWAYS SAYS...
DONALD'S SOAP
NUTS TO UNCLE SCROOGE! WHO CARES WHAT THAT OLD DINOSAUR THINKS! A GOOD AD MAN CAN MAKE PEOPLE WANT TO PAY MORE FOR LESS! FORGET THE SIMPLE-MINDED PAST...
AND GAZE INTO ADVERTISING'S FUTURE!
WOW! THAT'S QUITE A BARGAIN! HOW CAN YOU DO THAT?
DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP
2 FOR THE PRICE OF 1
HOW? EASY!
LIKE THIS!
THUNK

VOILA! TWO BARS FOR THE PRICE OF ONE! AND IT DOESN'T COST ME A DIME!
SOME BARGAIN! TWO OF THOSE NEW BARS TOGETHER ARE LIGHTER THAN ONE OF THE OLD ONES!
NATURALLY! YOU LOSE A FEW PIECES WHEN YOU CHOP THEM!
I DON'T KNOW, UNCA DONALD! IT DOESN'T SEEM FAIR!
HA! TELL IT TO MY PUBLIC! PEOPLE FIGHT OVER MY NEW LIMITED EDITION COLLECTOR'S SOAP BARS!
!
I'VE GOT THE SUPREMO SOAP BAR WITH THE RED LABEL AND GOLD EMBOSSING! VERY RARE!
YEAH? WELL MINE IS THE EVEN RARER SIGNED AND NUMBERED BLUE EDITION, WITH PLATINUM COATING! THEY ONLY MADE 20 OF THESE BARS!
PIFFLE! MY SOAP IS SEALED IN PLASTIC, SO YOU CAN'T EVEN USE IT! AND IT COMES WITH A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY TO PROVE IT'S REALLY A BAR OF SOAP!
HA! I JUST BOUGHT THE YELLOW EDITION SEALED IN SOLID GOLD, SO YOU CAN'T EVEN SEE IT! THAT'S RARER THAN RARE!
BOP
BIFF
WHOMP
POOR UNCA SCROOGE! HE HAD TO BUILD A SECOND WAREHOUSE JUST TO STORE ALL OF HIS UNSOLD SOAP!
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT, UNCA DONALD! IMAGE IS ALL THAT COUNTS!
McDUCK'S SOAP WAREHOUSE #2
McDUCK'S SOAP WAREHOUSE #1

SO IT SEEMS, AS THE SOAPY ONSLAUGHT CONTINUES...

FELLOW BATH LOVERS! IF YOU'RE A BORING TUB POTATO, THE PROBLEM **COULD** BE YOUR SOAP!

IF SO, TRY MY **NEW, IMPROVED DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP**! WITH THE MYSTERY INGREDIENT - **NOTMUCHAENNYTHIN**! IT'S GUARANTEED TO PUT THE SIZZLE BACK IN YOUR SUDS!

WHAT DID WE DO TO DESERVE **THIS**?

DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP

AND WHAT IS NOTMUCHAENNYTHIN? WHAT DOES IT **DO**? I DON'T KNOW! YOU DON'T KNOW! **NOBODY KNOWS**! IT'S A MYSTERY! AND FOR A MEASLY FIVE BUCKS YOU CAN DIAL DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP MYSTERY HOTLINE AND SOLVE THE MYSTERY! NEW CLUES ARE PROVIDED EVERY FIVE MINUTES! SO GO TO IT!

♪ DONALD'S SOAP! DONALD'S SOAP! ANY OTHERS? NOPE! NOPE! NOPE! ♪

UNCA DONALD, ALL THIS CRAZY ADVERTISING IS GETTING OUT OF HAND!

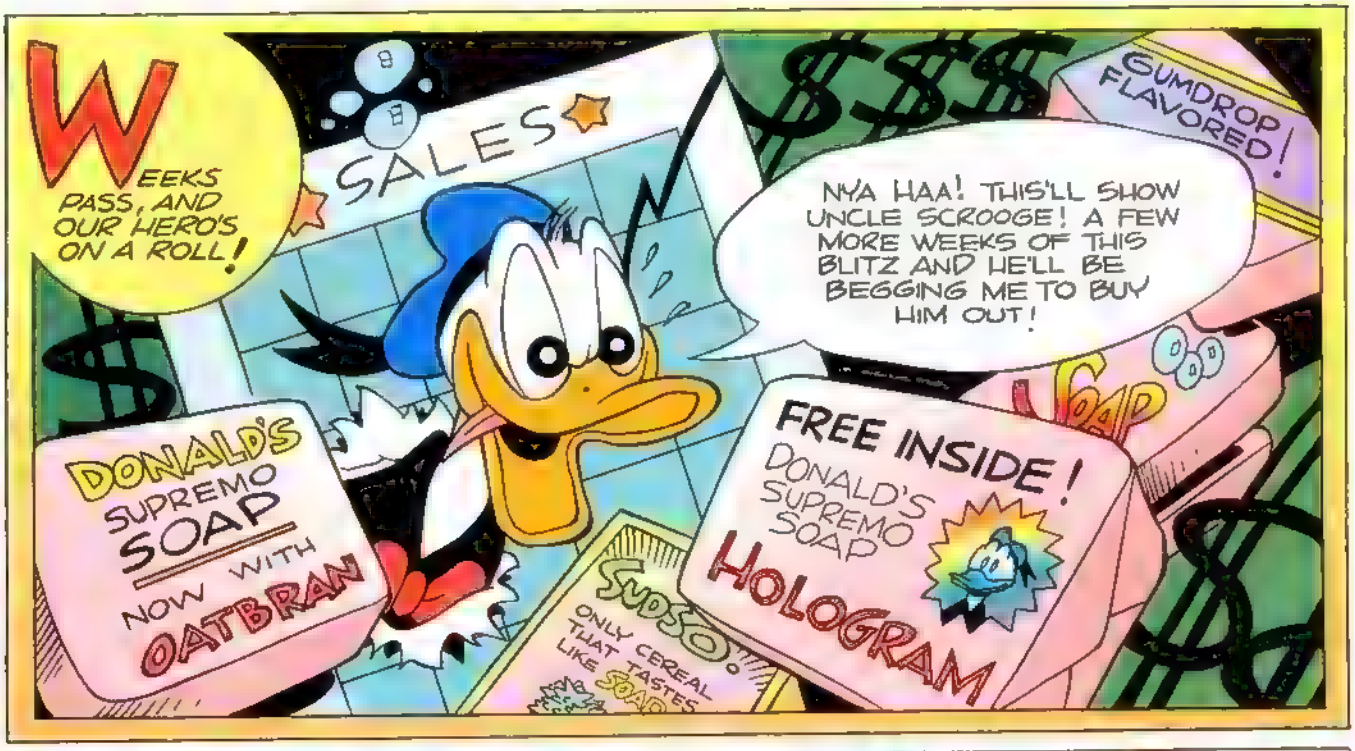
THE MYSTERY HOTLINE IS BAD ENOUGH, BUT THESE SOAP WRAPPERS ARE SO BIG AND FANCY I CAN HARDLY **LIFT** ONE!

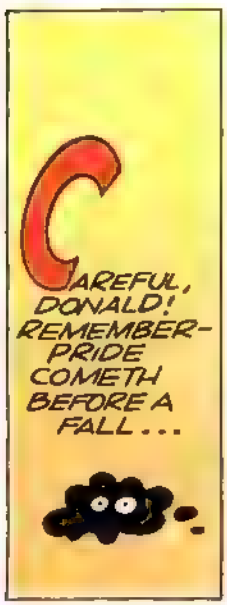
AND THE SOAP BARS KEEP SHRINKING!

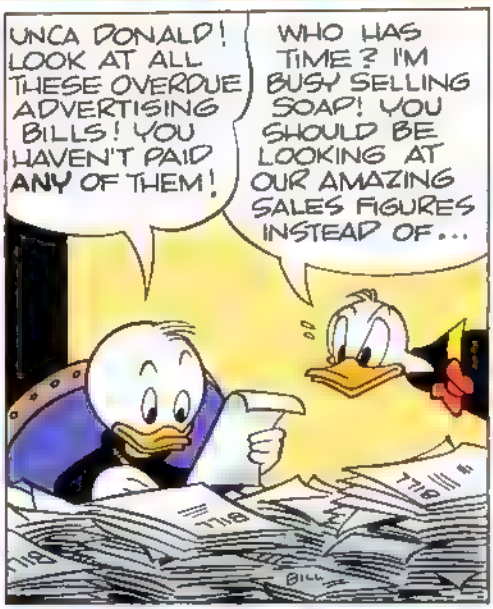
DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP

WHAT DO YOU GUYS KNOW? MAYBE IF YOU SPENT MORE TIME **USING** MY SOAP INSTEAD OF COMPLAINING ABOUT IT, YOU WOULDN'T LOOK SO SCRUFFY!

USE IT? WE CAN HARDLY **SEE** IT!

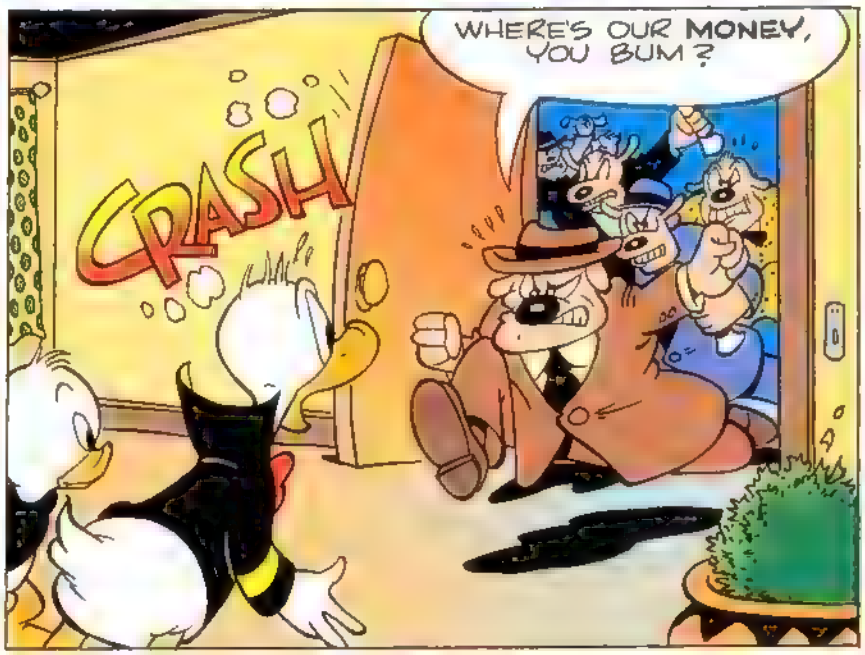

WEEKS PASS, AND OUR HERO'S ON A ROLL!
SALES
$$$
GUMDROP FLAVORED!
NYA HAA! THIS'LL SHOW UNCLE SCROOGE! A FEW MORE WEEKS OF THIS BLITZ AND HE'LL BE BEGGING ME TO BUY HIM OUT!
DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP NOW WITH OATBRAN
SUDSO. ONLY CEREAL THAT TASTES LIKE SOAP
SOAP
FREE INSIDE! DONALD'S SUPREMO SOAP HOLOGRAM


CAREFUL, DONALD! REMEMBER- PRIDE COMETH BEFORE A FALL...


UNCA DONALD! LOOK AT ALL THESE OVERDUE ADVERTISING BILLS! YOU HAVEN'T PAID ANY OF THEM!
WHO HAS TIME? I'M BUSY SELLING SOAP! YOU SHOULD BE LOOKING AT OUR AMAZING SALES FIGURES INSTEAD OF...
BILL

WAK! WHAT HAPPENED TO OUR SALES?
EVERYONE'S BUYING UNCA SCROOGE'S PLAIN OL' SOAP NOW!
PEOPLE LIKE THE WAY YOUR SOAP LOOKS, BUT HIS ACTUALLY CLEANS!

WHAT KIND OF STUPID THING IS THAT FOR A SOAP TO DO? I'M TRYING TO...
BAM BAM


CRASH
WHERE'S OUR MONEY, YOU BUM?

YOU OWE ME FIVE THOUSAND CLAMS FOR THOSE FANCY BILLBOARDS I PAINTED!
GIMME MY DOUGH, YOU FOURFLUSHER!
MY SON SPENT $6000 ON THAT STUPID MYSTERY HOT-LINE OF YOURS! PAY UP, OR I'LL TAKE IT OUT OF YOUR HIDE, YOU BUBBLEHEAD!
N-NOW BOYS! LET'S NOT GET ALL LATHERED UP! I'M SURE THERE'S A PERFECTLY REASONABLE-
OH NO YOU DON'T! YOU'RE NOT GOING TO TALK YOUR WAY OUT OF GIVING ME MY DOUGH!
AND MY CLIENT DEMANDS A MILLION BUCKS FOR USING HER NAME IN YOUR SOAP ADS WITHOUT PERMISSION!
WHAT ABOUT THIS PHONE BILL?
AND THIS PRINTING BILL?
SUMMONS
BILL
BOYS! BOYS! ONCE OUR SOAP SALES ARE UP AGAIN I'LL...
YOU CALL THIS FLEA SIZED PACK OF PIFFLE SOAP?
SOAP
CLEAN UP THE COUNTRYSIDE WITH THAT FAST-TALKING PHONEY!
HE'S WASHED UP IN THIS TOWN!
GET HIM!
CITY LIMITS

MUCH LATER...
THANKS FOR BUYING MY SOAP FACTORY, SO I COULD PAY OFF MY CREDITORS, UNCLE SCROOGE!
MY PLEASURE, NEPHEW!
Mc DUCK'S SOAP WAREHOUSE #1
ALL SOLD OUT!
AND I HOPE YOUVE LEARNED A VALUABLE LESSON, DONALD!
GULP! I SURE HAVE!
ONLY A DOPE SELLS BAD SOAP!
NOT A BAD SLOGAN! PERHAPS I DO NEED A HOT-SHOT EXECUTIVE TO COORDINATE MY ADVERTISING! HOW'D YOU LIKE THE JOB?
ME? NOW YOU'RE TALKING! IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU APPRECIATED MY PEDDLE POWER! LOOK OUT, WORLD! THE SULTAN OF SELL IS BACK!
AND SO...
YESSIREE, SULTAN! THAT'S WHAT WE CALL SELLING!
AW, GO SOAK YOUR HEADS!
BUY SCROOGE'S PLAIN OL' SOAP
THE END.

William Van Horn's "Full Circle," in *Walt Disney's Comics and Stories* 655, is a masterpiece of humorous tension centered upon a carton of a dozen eggs, in which lies a museum piece with an "eggs-orbitant" (pardon) price on its shell. Van Horn expertly shifts the tale-traversing 12-pack from Donald to the Duckburg Food Bank, Uncle Rumpus, Uncle Scrooge, Huey, Dewey and Louie, Gyro, Daisy, and back to Donald, who, in typical and agonizing fashion, hands it off to a meaningless walk-on character and loses out on the big reward.

I rarely enjoy the use of repeated coincidences to advance a plot, but Van Horn is so deft in his use of this otherwise-clichéd storytelling device that the tale was one grand giggle-fest from beginning to end. Van Horn should also be commended for resisting the temptation to include lucky Gladstone Gander in his "shell game" (pardon, again), lest our story be over by page two.

Has Duckburg ever looked grayer, grimmer, and grimier, than in Daan Jippes' artistic adaptation of Carl Barks' "Be Leery of Lake Eerie"? Despite less-than-adequate non-Barks art for its original printing in 1972's *Huey, Dewey and Louie Junior Woodchucks* 17, "Eerie" was still an outstanding story for its day, thanks to the limitless imagination and skeptical seventies outlook of "Unca Carl." Even a "happier ending" cobbled-up for the last three panels by Western Publishing's editors (the dragon still expires, but leaves the lake completely clean in its wake!) couldn't artificially brighten what was intended by its author to be a dark and cautionary tale. Now, with Jippes' presumably more accurate interpretation of Barks' vision—and with the original, more cynical ending restored—"Eerie" is once again a standout, even by the higher standards regularly set and met by Gemstone!

—Joe Torcivia
via email

WDC&S 655 was another Duck-heavy issue, but with good material! William Van Horn's latest is another great one, very similar in premise to Don Rosa's "The Coin."

I also loved seeing the Three Caballeros story! Even though the plot left a lot to be desired, I simply love Carl Buettner's art (anyone else think that the soda jerk looks a lot like a certain Warner character?). These are the kinds of nifty stories I wish you'd publish more of.

I do hope "Eerie" is the last Junior Woodchucks story we see for awhile. While they're decent, there's been way too many of them lately, and they take up too much space in *WDC&S*. Maybe you should transfer them over to *Uncle Scrooge*?

I liked the Goofy and Mickey stories. Both were very well written and nicely drawn. The Jack Bradbury Three Pigs story was a great touch; his artwork never fails to impress me.

—Thad Komorowski
via email

What can I say of the departure of Daniel Branca that Byron Erickson has not already said? I never knew the man, nor even knew what he looked like, and yet I shouted "No!" and felt profound sadness upon reading of his passing. I have grown accustomed over the years to his wonderful stories, and I guess I expected, like those who grew up on Carl Barks, that he would forever be creating those stories for me to enjoy. I looked forward every month to the cover which was graced by his artwork, and although I am sure there is still a vast reservoir of his work to draw from, I am saddened that the reservoir is no longer infinite. As Mr. Erickson says, Branca did indeed touch us in ways words cannot describe. A huge emptiness now lies where there once was a mountain of a man.

Moving to the material of *WDC&S* 655, Van Horn's tale of the golden egg was an absolute treat. Van Horn rarely fails to deliver, and "Full Circle" was no exception. Pat and Carol McGreal's Mickey story was incredible as well. I've never particularly cared for Mickey much (and even less for Minnie), but boy they delivered a knock-out!

The real gem of this book, however, was the Carl Barks environmental piece, "Be Leery of Lake Eerie." Now 24, I spent the first 23 years of my life living in Alaska, perhaps the one place remaining in this country where the whole darn thing is unpolluted. There are no factories to dump sludge in the water, and because of the relative lack of people, there is very little air pollution, garbage litter, and the like to mar and contaminate the place. But for the last year, I've lived in Burlington, Vermont, on the edge of a Superfund site. And the difference is night and day. No longer can I drink straight from the lake (let alone swim in it), and I'm sure at least some of the poisons from four hundred years of industry are getting through the filters at the water treatment plant. As such, I read with great irony and interest the expoits of the Woodchucks and their axle grease. A great story, and made all the better by its relevance to this reader.

—Robert Hutchings
via email

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